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Brooke offers consumer-facing companies compliance counseling and litigation services to help them address federal and state consumer protection laws. Recognizing the challenges facing financial services companies, she provides in-depth analysis of complex issues related to consumer protection and compliance.

# **OVERVIEW**

Brooke focuses her practice on complex litigation and federal consumer protection statutes, including the Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA) and Regulation V, the Equal Credit Opportunity Act (ECOA) and Regulation B, the Telephone Consumer Protection Act (TCPA), and Unfair and Deceptive Acts and Practices (UDAP) laws.

Brooke is part of the firm's national practice defending consumer-facing companies of all types. She has been counsel in individual cases and class actions in many states, including Virginia, Alabama, California, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Maryland, Missouri, Nevada, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Texas, Washington, and West Virginia. Brooke has also been counsel in complex regulatory investigations of consumer-facing companies. Further, she routinely provides compliance advice for national automotive financing companies.

Brooke provides analysis and commentary on legal and business developments in the consumer financial services industry, with a focus on credit reporting and data brokers, through the Consumer Financial Services Law Monitor blog at <a href="https://www.consumerfinancialserviceslawmonitor.com">www.consumerfinancialserviceslawmonitor.com</a>. Brooke is the co-host of <a href="https://www.consumerfinancialserviceslawmonitor.com">monitor.com</a>. Brooke is the co-host of <a href="https:

Brooke is also a co-leader of the Consumer Financial Services practice group's AI task force.

# REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- Served as counsel for national background-screening companies in an FCRA national class action and in singleplaintiff FCRA cases.
- Defended the nation's largest used car retailer in a class action challenging sales practices.
- Represented a national automotive financing company in nationwide class actions asserting Magnuson-Moss Warranty Act violations.
- Defended a national bank in federal litigation involving Magnuson-Moss Warranty Act violations.
- Served as counsel for national banks in class actions and single-plaintiff FCRA cases.

- Represented a national mortgage company in class actions and single-plaintiff TCPA cases.
- Counseled a national bank in foreclosure actions.
- Advised national consumer finance companies in a state regulatory investigation.
- Served as counsel for a national bank in a debt collection case.
- Represented an automotive financing company in an ECOA case.
- Conducted a UDAP analysis for a national automotive financing company, and counseled it on numerous other state and federal compliance issues.

#### **AWARDS**

• Best Lawyers in America®: Ones to Watch: Financial Services Regulation Law (2026), Litigation – Banking and Finance (2026), Mass Tort Litigation/Class Actions – Defendants (2026)

### TOP AREAS OF FOCUS

- Auto Finance
- Consumer Financial Services
- Financial Services Litigation

## **ALL AREAS OF FOCUS**

- Auto Finance
- Class Action
- Consumer Financial Services
- Financial Services
- Financial Services Litigation
- <u>Litigation + Trial</u>
- Telephone Consumer Protection Act (TCPA)

# **EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATIONS**

#### **EDUCATION**

- University of Richmond School of Law, J.D., cum laude, Order of the Barristers, 2014
- University of Virginia, B.A., 2002

#### **BAR ADMISSIONS**

Virginia

# **COURT ADMISSIONS**

- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Virginia
- U.S. District Court, Western District of Virginia
- · Supreme Court of Virginia
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Fourth Circuit

#### **CLERKSHIPS**

Hon. David A. Faber, U.S. District Court, Southern District of West Virginia, 2014-2016

# SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Speaker, "ESI Protocols Webinar," Troutman Pepper Locke, August 6, 2025.
- Speaker, "<u>Duguid v. Facebook</u>: Supreme Court Answers the Call on the TCPA," Troutman Pepper, April 7, 2021.
- Speaker, "Hot TCPA Topics for Calling in the Time of COVID-19," Troutman Sanders Webinar, May 20, 2020.

# **PUBLICATIONS**

- Podcast, "State Law Roundup: A Focus on Connecticut and Oregon," Moving the Metal: The Auto Finance Podcast, October 14, 2025.
- Podcast, "The Larger Participant Rule: A New Route for Auto Finance," Moving the Metal: The Auto Finance Podcast, September 23, 2025.
- Podcast, "<u>Driving New Standards With California's CARS Rule</u>," *Moving the Metal: The Auto Finance Podcast*, September 9, 2025.
- Podcast, "The Road to Regulation: Vehicle Service Contracts Explained," Moving the Metal: The Auto Finance Podcast, August 12, 2025.
- Co-author, "Oregon Passes New Telephone Solicitation Law," Consumer Financial Services Law Monitor, July 31, 2025.
- Podcast, "Suluki Secrets: Behind the Scenes of Reasonable Investigations," FCRA Focus, July 30, 2025.
- Podcast, "The Current State of the Holder Rule: Friend or Foe?," Moving the Metal: The Auto Finance Podcast, July 29, 2025.
- Podcast, "<u>Driving Digital Security: The FTC's Safeguards Rule Explained</u>," *Moving the Metal: The Auto Finance Podcast*, July 8, 2025.
- Podcast, "<u>Doc Fees Decoded: The Price of Paperwork in Auto Sales</u>," *Moving the Metal: The Auto Finance Podcast*, June 24, 2025.
- Podcast, "Cruising Through Change: The Auto-Finance Industry's New Era Under Trump Unveiled," Moving the Metal: The Auto Finance Podcast, June 11, 2025.
- Podcast, "<u>Under the Hood: Exploring the CFPB's 2025 Focus</u>," Moving the Metal: The Auto Finance Podcast, May 20, 2025.
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- Podcast, "Requiem for the Rules: The Rise and Fall of the Junk Fee and CARS Rules," Moving the Metal: The Auto Finance Podcast, March 11, 2025.
- Podcast, "The Future of Auto Dealership Compliance: A Conversation With Tom Kline," Moving the Metal: The Auto Finance Podcast, February 25, 2025.
- Podcast, "From Federal to Local: CFPB's Blueprint for State Regulators," Moving the Metal: The Auto Finance Podcast, February 11, 2025.

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- Podcast, "2024 Year in Review: Key Developments in Auto Finance," Moving the Metal: The Auto Finance Podcast, January 28, 2025.
- Podcast, "Auto Finance Under the Microscope: Unpacking Landmark FTC and AG Settlements," Moving the Metal: The Auto Finance Podcast, January 14, 2025.
- Podcast, "2024 Privacy Trends and Their Impact on Auto Finance," Moving the Metal: The Auto Finance Podcast, December 17, 2024.
- Podcast, "Lemon Law Shakeup: Rodriguez vs. FCA US Has Unexpected Result," Moving the Metal: The Auto Finance Podcast, November 25, 2024.
- Podcast, "<u>CFPB's Supervisory Highlights on Auto-Finance and Auto-Servicing</u>," The Consumer Finance Podcast, November 7, 2024.
- Podcast, "Breaking Granite: Understanding New Amendments to the New Hampshire Retail Installment Sales Act," Moving the Metal: The Auto Finance Podcast, November 1, 2024.
- Podcast, "Dissecting Oral Arguments in NADA's Challenge to the CARS Rule," Moving the Metal: The Auto Finance Podcast, October 18, 2024.
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- Podcast, "Investigation Tag Team: The FTC and the State of Arizona," Moving the Metal: The Auto Finance Podcast, September 18, 2024.
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- Podcast, "Auto Finance The CFPB Complaints Report," The Consumer Finance Podcast, May 7, 2024.
- Podcast, "Navigating the CFPB's Auto Finance Data Collection Initiative," The Consumer Finance Podcast, April 25, 2024.
- Podcast, "Avoiding Auto Finance Pitfalls Under the FTC's New CARS Rule," The Consumer Finance Podcast, February 29, 2024.
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- Co-author, "Northern District of California Rejects "Footnote Seven" Argument in TCPA Case," Troutman Pepper, September 2, 2021.
- Co-author, "4 Ways Courts Are Approaching High Court's TCPA Ruling," Law360, August 23, 2021.
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