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OVERVIEW

Chanel is an associate in the firm's Regulatory Investigations, Strategy + Enforcement practice group. She represents clients in government and regulatory proceedings before the U.S. Department of Justice, the SEC, FINRA, and multiple U.S. attorney's offices.

Chanel has handled matters involving the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act and anti-money-laundering enforcement, including representing an oil trader facing FCPA and money laundering charges at trial. Her practice spans across a broad range of litigation issues, including witness preparation, attorney proffers, motion practice, fact discovery, mediation proceedings, and settlement negotiations.

TOP AREAS OF FOCUS

- Regulatory Investigations, Strategy + Enforcement
- State Attorneys General

ALL AREAS OF FOCUS

- Litigation + Trial
- Regulatory Investigations, Strategy + Enforcement
- State Attorneys General

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Externship, New York City Law Department, Affirmative Litigation Group, 2019

EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATIONS

EDUCATION

- New York University School of Law, J.D., 2021, commentary editor, *Journal of International Law and Politics*;

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AnBryce Scholar
- Columbia University, B.A., 2016, human rights and history

BAR ADMISSIONS

- New York

COURT ADMISSIONS

- U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of New York

LANGUAGES

- French

PUBLICATIONS

- Co-author, “Eight State AGs Sue OpenAI Over ChatGPT Safety and Consumer Protection,” *Troutman Pepper Locke*, October 16, 2026.

MEDIA COMMENTARY

- Interviewed, “Five Years Out: Chanel Thomas ’21,” *NYU School of Law*, November 20, 2026.