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Danni helps clients navigate complex multinational commercial disputes, supporting clients in state and federal litigation as well as domestic and international arbitration.

OVERVIEW

Danni concentrates on the resolution of complex multinational commercial disputes, with a particular focus on multinational litigation and arbitration. She represents clients across various industries, including technology, banking, hospitality, health care, and insurance, among others.

Co-author of *A Practitioner's Guide to Arbitration (2023)*, an introductory guide to U.S. arbitration published by the American Bar Association, Danni leverages her targeted experience to support and advise clients in all stages of commercial arbitration, from clause drafting through formal dispute resolution proceedings.

Danni's commitment to her community extends beyond her professional work, as evidenced by her pro bono contributions to the MTPC Identity Document Assistance Network and PAIR Project. She represents clients before the Executive Office of Immigration Review and continues to advocate for individuals seeking asylum.

Before joining the firm, Danni served as a law clerk at the World Bank, the Senate Homeland Security and Government Affairs Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, and the U.S. Office of Special Counsel.

AWARDS

 High Honors, Capital Pro Bono Honor Roll, D.C. Access to Justice Commission and the D.C. Bar Pro Bono Center (2024)

TOP AREAS OF FOCUS

- Business Litigation
- International Arbitration

ALL AREAS OF FOCUS

- Business Litigation
- Financial Services
- International
- International Arbitration
- <u>Litigation + Trial</u>

PROFESSIONAL/COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

ABA Litigation Section Book Board Member

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Law clerk, Senate Homeland Security and Government Affairs Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, August 2020 – November 2020
- Student attorney, Rising for Justice Civil Clinic, December 2019 August 2020

EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATIONS

EDUCATION

- The George Washington University Law School, J.D., 2021, Pamela Spanogle International Commercial Arbitration Competition Award
- The University of British Columbia, B.A., 2017

BAR ADMISSIONS

- District of Columbia
- Massachusetts
- New York

COURT ADMISSIONS

- District of Columbia Court of Appeals
- · Massachusetts State Courts
- U.S. District Court, District of Massachusetts

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Moderator and presenter, "International Arbitration 101: When Your Client's Dispute Resolution Clause Calls for Arbitration Abroad," ABA Torts Trial and Insurance Practice (TIPS) Section Conference, New York, May 3, 2023.
- Presenter, "Your First Deposition 101: From Notice to Testimony," ABA Litigation Section Annual Conference, Washington, D.C., May 2, 2024.

PUBLICATIONS

• Co-author, "SCOTUS Declines to Decide Missouri Corporation's Question of International Comity and State

- Law," Troutman Pepper Locke, March 10, 2025.
- Co-author, "SCOTUS Designates Dueling Delegation Decision to Courts," Troutman Pepper, May 29, 2024.
- Co-author, A Practitioner's Guide to Arbitration, American Bar Association, August 25, 2023.
- Co-author, "<u>U.S. Supreme Court Creates a New Path for Non-U.S. Plaintiffs to Enforce Foreign Arbitral Awards</u>," *Business Law Today*, August 2, 2023.
- Co-author, "The European Union and Ukraine Push Forward With the Hague Judgments Convention—What Does It Mean for the Rest of Us?," Business Law Today, July 12, 2023.
- Co-author, "Federal Court Further Narrows 28 U.S.C. § 1782 Application Following Landmark SCOTUS Decision," Troutman Pepper, November 17, 2022.
- Co-author, "SCOTUS Holds Courts Cannot Order Discovery in Most International Arbitrations," American Bar Association's Section of Litigation-Alternative Dispute Resolution Article, September 2, 2022.
- Co-author, "Can You Enforce an International Arbitration Award That's Been Set Aside?" Troutman Pepper, August 10, 2022.
- Co-author, "SCOTUS Invalidates CA Law Preventing Arbitration of Individual PAGA Claims When a Valid Arbitration Agreement Exists," *Troutman Pepper*, June 17, 2022.
- Co-author, "SCOTUS Resolves Section 1782 Controversy: Courts Cannot Order Discovery in Most International Arbitrations," *Troutman Pepper*, June 15, 2022.
- Co-author, "Federal Arbitration Act Will Likely Be Amended to Prohibit Pre-Dispute Arbitration Clauses for Sexual Assault and Sexual Harassment Claims," Troutman Pepper, February 14, 2022.
- Co-author, "Section 1782 Is Back," American Bar Association's Section of Litigation-Alternative Dispute Resolution Article, February 9, 2022.