

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

IN RE:

COMMODITY EXCHANGE, INC., GOLD  
FUTURES AND OPTIONS TRADING  
LITIGATION

Case No. 14-MD-2548 (VEC)  
14-MC-2548 (VEC)

Hon. Valerie E. Caproni

*This Document Relates To All Actions*

**DECLARATION OF MERRILL G. DAVIDOFF IN SUPPORT OF CO-LEAD  
COUNSEL'S MOTION FOR ATTORNEYS' FEES AND LITIGATION EXPENSES**

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I, Merrill G. Davidoff, declare as follows:

1. I am a Managing Shareholder and Chairman *Emeritus* at the law firm of Berger Montague PC (“Berger Montague”), serving as interim co-lead counsel (“Co-Lead Counsel”) with Quinn Emanuel Urquhart & Sullivan, LLP (“Quinn Emanuel”). I have been actively involved in prosecuting and partially resolving this Action, am familiar with its proceedings, and have personal knowledge of the matters set forth herein.

2. The specifics of the work performed by Berger Montague attorneys and staff are set forth in the concurrently filed Joint Declaration.

3. Attached as Exhibit A is a schedule indicating the amount of time spent by Berger Montague attorneys and professional support staff who were involved in this Action from inception through November 10, 2020, excluding timekeepers who have billed less than 20 hours to the Action. The schedule was created from contemporaneous daily time records regularly prepared and maintained by my Firm. None of the time was spent in connection with the application for attorneys’ fees and expenses.

4. Our hourly rates have been found reasonable and consistent with the market in other complex or class action litigation. These hourly rates were utilized in our 2014 Leadership application and were similar to the Quinn Emanuel rates after discounting. The Court’s July 22, 2014 Opinion approving our leadership application found the rates generally reasonable given the size and complexity of the case. Moreover, in line with the representations in our leadership application, we calculated our lodestar going forward from 2014 as follows: (a) we froze our rates for three (3) years starting from our leadership application; and (b) limited rate increases in subsequent periods to five percent (5%) per annum or the applicable firm rate increase, whichever was lower. This limitation on rate increases applied regardless of any changes in

circumstance that would normally result in the increase in our rates charged to our clients, such as the promotion of the attorney from one class to another, or even the promotion to partner. Document reviewers hired through a third-party vendor are included as lodestar at the rate of \$225 per hour and review supervisors at the rate of \$300.

5. The total number of hours reflected in Exhibit A is 47,617.3, resulting in a lodestar of \$17,412,655.45.

6. Attached as Exhibit B is a schedule indicating the amount of expenses incurred by Berger Montague in connection with this action from inception through November 10, 2020. These expenses are all reflected on the books and records of Berger Montague. These books and records are prepared from expense vouchers, check records, and other source materials and are an accurate record of the expenses incurred. My firm has reviewed the time and expense records that form the basis of this declaration to correct any billing errors.

7. None of the expenses were incurred in connection with the application for attorneys' fees and expenses.

8. Berger Montague maintained and managed a litigation expense fund for certain common expenses in connection with the prosecution of this case. Both Quinn Emanuel and Berger Montague contributed to this litigation expense fund. Berger Montague's contributions to the litigation expense fund are not included in Exhibit B. I understand from Mr Brockett's Declaration that Quinn Emanuel's contributions to the Litigation Fund are also not being included in the calculation of his firm's expenses. Rather, to ensure expenditures are only single-counted, the expenses incurred for work performed by the various vendors up to October 31, 2020 and paid by the common fund are described in Exhibit C.

9. By far the largest category of expenses—by Berger Montague directly (\$1,060,126.51), as well as within the common litigation fund—are for “Outside Professional Services,” *e.g.*, our non-testifying expert consultants. The extensive, important work of our non-testifying expert consultants is outlined in the Joint Declaration.

10. The next largest category (\$39,957.35) is for electronic legal services, including WestLaw, LexisNexis, and PACER charges. These charges reflect only out-of-pocket payments to the vendors for research done in connection with this action. Online research is billed based on actual time usage at a set charge by the vendor. There are no administrative charges included in these figures.

11. The next largest category (\$32,132.90) is for “document reproduction,” a category in which we also include binding costs, creation of hard-drives for production purposes, document scanning, and similar services. Internal copying is included at \$0.15 per page for black and white copies and \$0.40 or less per page for color copies. Document projects involving third-party vendors are passed through at-cost. There are no administrative charges included in these figures.

12. The next largest category (\$14,591.61) is for travel and meals. Though already minimal compared to the length of this case, these are being submitted at 50% of our actual cost incurred, which was \$29,183.22.

13. The next largest category (\$13,707.79) is for document hosting. Hosting charges associated with our in-house platform and services are included on an at-cost basis. There are no administrative charges included in these figures. As discussed in the Joint Declaration, a portion of these expenses also include those paid to a third-party vendor, DISCO.

14. The next largest category (\$5,341.85) is for document delivery services, a category that includes things like postage and filing fees, but also charges from vendors that provide service of process, including abroad. There are no administrative charges included in these figures.

15. The final category (\$4,713.79) is for telephone services, primarily for charges in holding multi-party conference calls. These are amounts paid to third parties. There are no administrative charges included in these figures.

16. In 2019, the Co-Lead Firms established a Litigation Fund for certain common expenses in connection with the prosecution of this case. My firm was responsible for the maintenance of this Litigation Fund. Exhibit "C" provides a listing of the categories of vendors and the total amounts for work incurred through October 31, 2020. Since this Litigation is ongoing, specific names of the vendors, including our testifying experts have not been provided.

17. Exhibit D contains brief biographies of Berger Montague and a selection of the individual attorneys who worked on this action.

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I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed July 9, 2021  
Philadelphia, PA



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Merrill G. Davidoff

# **EXHIBIT A**

## Exhibit A

### Berger Montague Time Report As of 11/10/2020

Timekeeper Name	Position	Hours	Lowest Rate	Highest Rate	Lodestar
Avery, Ekene	Lit. Support	54.50	54.95	54.95	2,994.78
Aviles, Natisha	Doc. Rev.	2,522.50	225	225	567,562.50
Badejo, Ayoola	Doc. Rev.	1,207.80	225	225	271,755.00
Belenson, Bryan	Doc. Rev.	913.60	225	225	205,560.00
Bethune, Siedel	Doc. Rev.	1,052.30	225	225	236,767.50
Boyce, John	Doc. Rev.	511.40	225	225	115,065.00
Brockington, Allison	Doc. Rev.	259.10	225	225	58,297.50
Broomfield, Rashad	Doc. Rev.	438.00	225	225	98,550.00
Brown, Kevin	Doc. Rev.	885.50	225	225	199,237.50
Brutvan , Alexander	Doc. Rev.	101.60	225	225	22,860.00
Cantor, Gary E	Former Shareholder	990.40	720	800	716,812.90
Caplan, Zachary D	Sr. Associate	2937.50	365	443.66	1,149,345.46
Coan, Nerissa	Doc. Rev.	954.40	225	225	214,740.00
Cummings, Scott	Doc. Rev.	813.70	225	225	183,082.50
Davidoff, Merrill G.	Mng. Shareholder; <i>Chairman Emeritus</i>	1,741.10	900	995	1,600,241.00
Deleon Magnus, Eleanor C.	Paralegal	39.30	150	150	6,535.47
Dell'Angelo, Michael C.	Managing Shareholder	1,319.90	660	802.23	913,568.19
Doucette, Tyschelle	Doc. Rev.	560.50	225	225	126,112.50
Duff, Siobhan	Doc. Rev.	123.30	225	225	27,742.50
Enders, Candice J.	Shareholder	2,303.80	635	655	1,490,115.00
Forrester, Melody	Doc. Rev.	357.00	225	225	80,325.00
Garlington, Monica	Doc. Rev.	319.10	225	225	71,797.50
Kalantari, Nikoo	Doc. Rev.	1,123.60	225	225	252,810.00
Kazemi, Mojān	Doc. Rev.	549.50	225	225	123,637.50
Kim, Hana	Doc. Rev. Supervisor	160.00	300	300	48,000.00
Langer, David A.	Sr. Associate	103.50	535	535	55,372.50
Leo, Susan L.	Paralegal	686.50	150	182.33	117,845.57
Leonov, Roman	Doc. Rev.	652.60	225	225	146,835.00
Lewy, Dror	Doc. Rev.	197.20	225	225	44,370.00
Listwa, Daniel	Associate	2,664.7	500	505	1,339,956.00
Lopez, Byron	Doc. Rev.	90.50	225	225	20,362.50
Mangiaracina, Frank	Associate	97.40	300	300	29,220.00

Timekeeper Name	Position	Hours	Lowest Rate	Highest Rate	Lodestar
McCollum, Christina	Paralegal	225.20	200	215	45,176.00
McSwain, Deanna	Doc. Rev.	502.70	225	225	113,107.50
Mencher, Maria	Doc. Rev.	38.90	225	225	8,752.50
Nanan, Zeeta	Doc. Rev.	270.50	225	225	60,862.50
Naples, Eileen	Doc. Rev.	235.80	225	225	53,055.00
Nguyen, Hinh	Doc. Rev.	648.40	225	225	145,890.00
Noteware, Ellen T.	Shareholder	56.10	550	550	30,855.00
Ocasio, Myrna	Doc. Rev.	140.00	225	225	31,500.00
Ostrega, Andrew	Doc. Rev.	380.20	225	225	85,545.00
Othman, Yaser	Doc. Rev.	102.00	225	225	22,950.00
Petty, Kerri	Doc. Rev.	3,454.50	225	225	777,262.50
Popiel, Monique	Doc. Rev. Supervisor	924.40	300	300	277,320.00
Price, Geoffrey	Doc. Rev.	2,554.60	225	225	574,785.00
Ripley, Josh	Associate	64.30	300	300	19,290.00
Rosenfeld, Levi	Doc. Rev.	442.00	225	225	99,450.00
Sauder, Karissa	Associate	756.70	350	385.88	281,649.99
Scalzo, James	Doc. Rev.	566.20	225	225	127,395.00
Schor, Edward	Doc. Rev.	1,008.70	225	225	226,957.50
Silverstein, Barry	Doc. Rev.	268.20	225	225	60,345.00
Smith, Sharon	Doc. Rev.	395.00	225	225	88,875.00
Steele, Richard	Doc. Rev.	77.50	225	225	17,437.50
Stein, Mark R.	Former Sr. Paralegal	113.40	275	303.19	31,340.03
Suter, Mark R	Associate	241.20	225	273.49	61,289.17
Tarnove, Billie	Doc. Rev.	635.20	225	225	142,920.00
Tompkins, Eugene R.	Former Associate	903.50	525	570	476,151.00
Torres, Jacqueline	Doc. Rev.	670.00	225	225	150,750.00
Twersky, Martin I.	Shareholder	3,067.10	720	820	2,306,223.00
Twersky [Savett], Shoshana M.	Former Sr. Associate	30.00	510	530	15,628.00
Vargas, Steven	Doc. Rev.	758.00	225	225	170,550.00
Walenta, Craig	Doc. Rev.	478.80	225	225	107,730.00
Weisblatt, Roseann E	Doc. Rev.	23.90	225	225	5,377.50
West, Courtney	Doc. Rev.	332.90	225	225	74,902.50
Wilson, Andrea	Doc. Rev.	278.90	225	225	111,560.00
York, Mary Elizabeth	Paralegal	240.70	300	300	72,296.40
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>47,617.3</b>			<b>17,412,655.45</b>

\* Does not include timekeepers with less than 20 hours as of 11/10/2020.

\*\* Rates calculated in accordance with 2014 rate freeze and modest yearly increase discussed in paragraph 4 above.

# **EXHIBIT B**

## **Exhibit B**

### **Berger Montague Expense Report**

*Incurred as of 11/10/2020*

Category	Amount
Document delivery (postage, messengers, service, filing fees, etc.)	\$5,341.85
Document reproduction (on and off-site copying, binding, transcripts, etc.)	\$32,132.90
Document hosting (in-house and third-party vendor)	\$13,707.79
Electronic legal research (Westlaw, LEXIS, PACER, etc.) at cost	\$39,957.35
Outside professional services	\$1,060,126.51
Telephone, conference fees, etc.	\$4,713.79
Travel and meals*	\$14,591.61
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,170,571.80</b>

\*Reduced by 50% as noted in paragraph 12 above.

# **EXHIBIT C**

**Exhibit C****Litigation Fund Report**

<b>CATEGORIES OF SERVICES PROVIDED</b>	<b>TOTAL AMOUNTS INCURRED for WORK THROUGH 10/31/2020</b>
E-discovery Services (Storage, Production, other services)	577,535.53
Outside Professional Services	4,251,648.32
Investigation specialists	1,031.31
Service of Subpoenas, etc.	5,890.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$4,836,105.16</b>

# **EXHIBIT D**



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### About Berger Montague

Berger Montague is a full-spectrum class action and complex civil litigation firm, with nationally known attorneys highly sought after for their legal skills. The firm has been recognized by courts throughout the country for its ability and experience in handling major complex litigation, particularly in the fields of antitrust, securities, mass torts, civil and human rights, whistleblower cases, employment, and consumer litigation. In numerous precedent-setting cases, the firm has played a principal or lead role.

The *National Law Journal* selected Berger Montague in 12 out of 14 years (2003-2005, 2007-2013, 2015-2016) for its “Hot List” of top plaintiffs-oriented litigation firms in the United States. The select group of law firms recognized each year had done “exemplary, cutting-edge work on the plaintiffs’ side.” The *National Law Journal* ended its “Hot List” award in 2017 and replaced it with “Elite Trial Lawyers,” which Berger Montague has won from 2018-2020. The firm has also achieved the highest possible rating by its peers and opponents as reported in *Martindale-Hubbell* and was ranked as a 2021 “Best Law Firm” by *U.S. News - Best Lawyers*.

Currently, the firm consists of 67 lawyers; 24 paralegals; and an experienced support staff. Few firms in the United States have our breadth of practice and match our successful track record in such a broad array of complex litigation.

### History of the Firm

Berger Montague was founded in 1970 by the late David Berger to concentrate on the representation of plaintiffs in a series of antitrust class actions. David Berger helped pioneer the use of class actions in antitrust litigation and was instrumental in extending the use of the class action procedure to other litigation areas, including securities, employment discrimination, civil and human rights, and mass torts. The firm’s complement of nationally recognized lawyers has represented both plaintiffs and defendants in these and other areas and has recovered billions of dollars for its clients. In complex litigation, particularly in areas of class action litigation, Berger Montague has established new law and forged the path for recovery.

The firm has been involved in a series of notable cases, some of them among the most important in the last 50 years of civil litigation. For example, the firm was one of the principal counsel for

plaintiffs in the *Drexel Burnham Lambert/Michael Milken* securities and bankruptcy litigation. Claimants in these cases recovered approximately \$2 billion in the aftermath of the collapse of the junk bond market and the bankruptcy of *Drexel* in the late 1980's. The firm was also among the principal trial counsel in the *Exxon Valdez Oil Spill* litigation in Anchorage, Alaska, a trial resulting in a record jury award of \$5 billion against Exxon, later reduced by the U.S. Supreme Court to \$507.5 million. Berger Montague was lead counsel in the *School Asbestos Litigation*, in which a national class of secondary and elementary schools recovered in excess of \$200 million to defray the costs of asbestos abatement. The case was the first mass tort property damage class action certified on a national basis. Berger Montague was also lead class counsel and lead trial counsel in the *Cook v. Rockwell International Corporation* litigation arising out of a serious incident at the Rocky Flats nuclear weapons facility in Colorado.

Additionally, in the human rights area, the firm, through its membership on the executive committee in the *Holocaust Victim Assets Litigation*, helped to achieve a \$1.25 billion settlement with the largest Swiss banks on behalf of victims of Nazi aggression whose deposits were not returned after the Second World War. The firm also played an instrumental role in bringing about a \$4.37 billion settlement with German industry and government for the use of slave and forced labor during the Holocaust.

### **Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Initiatives**

Berger Montague not only supports the idea of its Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (“DEI”) initiatives, it is a part of the DNA and fabric of the firm—internally amongst the Berger Montague family and in the way we practice law with co-counsel, opposing counsel, the courts, and with our clients. Through our DEI initiatives, Berger Montague actively works to increase diversity at all levels of our firm and to ensure that professionals of all races, religions, national origins, gender identities, ethnicities, sexual orientations, and physical abilities feel supported and respected in the workplace.

Berger Montague has a DEI Task Force with the leadership of the DEI Coordinator, Camille Fundora Rodriguez, and including, Candice J. Enders, Caitlin G. Coslett, Sophia Rios, and Reginald L. Streater. Berger Montague has enacted a broad range of diversity and inclusion projects, including successful efforts to hire and retain attorneys and non-attorneys from diverse backgrounds and to foster an inclusive work environment, including through firmwide trainings on implicit bias issues that may impact the workplace.

Additionally, at Berger Montague women lead. Women comprise over 30% of Berger Montague’s shareholders, well above the national average as reported by the National Association of Women Lawyers. Moreover, women at the firm are encouraged and have taken advantage of professional development support to bolster their trajectories into key participation and leadership roles, both within and outside the firm, including mentoring, networking, and educational opportunities for women across all career levels. As a result of these intentional policies and initiatives, women attorneys at Berger Montague are managing departments, running offices, overseeing major

administrative programs, generating new business, serving as first chair in trials, handling large matters, and holding numerous other leadership positions firmwide.

Berger Montague's commitment to DEI activities extends beyond our firm. For example, DEI Task Force members are involved in numerous community and professional activities outside of the firm. Representative activities include membership in and/or board or leadership positions with the Hispanic Bar Association, the Barristers' Association of Philadelphia, the Philadelphia Public School Board of Education, Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) of Philadelphia, Philadelphia Bar Association's Business Law Section's Antitrust Committee, Community Legal Services of Philadelphia, the Greater Philadelphia Chapter of the Pennsylvania ACLU, AccessMatters, After School Activities Partnerships, and Leadership Council on Legal Diversity. As such, Berger Montague's commitment to DEI has created an atmosphere in which the attorneys can share their gifts with the legal and greater communities from which they come.

### **Commitment to *Pro Bono***

Berger Montague attorneys commit their most valuable resource, their time, to charities, nonprofit organizations, and *pro bono* legal work. For over 50 years, Berger Montague has encouraged its attorneys to support charitable causes and volunteer in the community. Our lawyers understand that participating in *pro bono* representation is an essential component of their professional and ethical responsibilities.

Berger Montague is strongly committed to numerous charitable causes. Over his lengthy career, David Berger, the firm's founding partner, was prominent in a great many philanthropic and charitable enterprises, including serving as Honorary Chairman of the American Heart Association; a Trustee of the American Cancer Society; and a member of the Board of Directors of the American Red Cross. This tradition continues to the present.

Community Legal Services of Philadelphia, an organization that provides free legal advice and representation to low-income residents of Philadelphia, honored Berger Montague with its 2021 Champion of Justice Award for the firm's work leading a case against the IRS that succeeded in getting unemployed people their rightful benefits during the COVID-19 pandemic.

In prior years, Berger Montague received the Chancellor's Award presented by the Philadelphia Volunteers for the Indigent Program ("VIP"), which provides crucial legal services to more than 1,000 low-income Philadelphia residents each year. VIP relies on volunteer attorneys to provide *pro bono* representation for families and individuals. In 2009 and 2010, Berger Montague also received an award for our volunteer work with the VIP Mortgage Foreclosure Program.

Today, Berger Montague attorneys engage in *pro bono* work for many organizations, including:

- Public Interest Law Center of Philadelphia ("PILCOP")
- Community Legal Services of Philadelphia ("CLS")
- Philadelphia Legal Assistance
- Education Law Center

- Legal Clinic for the Disabled
- Support Center for Child Advocates
- Veterans Pro Bono Consortium
- AIDS Law Project of Philadelphia
- Center for Literacy
- National Liberty Museum
- Philadelphia Volunteers for the Indigent Program
- Philadelphia Mortgage Foreclosure Program

We are proud of our written *pro bono* policy that encourages and strongly supports our attorneys to get involved in this important and rewarding work. Many attorneys at Berger Montague have been named to the First District of Pennsylvania's Pro Bono Honor Roll.

Berger Montague also makes annual contributions to the Philadelphia Bar Foundation, an umbrella charitable organization dedicated to promoting access to justice for all people in the community, particularly those struggling with poverty, abuse, and discrimination.

The firm also has held numerous clothing drives, toy drives, food drives, and blood drives. Through these efforts, Berger Montague professional and support staff have donated thousands of items of clothing, toys, and food to local charities including the Salvation Army, Toys for Tots, and Philabundance, a local food bank. Blood donations are made to the American Red Cross. Berger Montague attorneys also volunteer on an annual basis at MANNA, which prepares and delivers nourishing meals to those suffering with serious illnesses.

### **Antitrust Practice Area and Case Profiles of the Antitrust Attorneys Litigating the Gold Case**

In antitrust litigation, the firm has served as lead, co-lead or co-trial counsel on many of the most significant civil antitrust cases over the last 50 years, including *In re Payment Card Interchange Fee and Merchant Discount Antitrust Litigation* (settlement of approximately \$5.6 billion), *In re Namenda Direct Purchaser Antitrust Litigation* (recovery of \$750 million), *In re Loestrin 24 Fe Antitrust Litigation* (recovery of \$120 million), and *In re Domestic Drywall Antitrust Litigation* (settlements totaling \$190.7 million).

Once again, Berger Montague has been selected by *Chambers and Partners* for its 2021 *Chambers USA* Guide as one of Pennsylvania's top antitrust firms. *Chambers USA* 2021 states that Berger Montague's antitrust practice group is "a preeminent force in the Pennsylvania antitrust market, offering expert counsel to clients from a broad range of industries."

*The Legal 500*, a guide to worldwide legal services providers, ranked Berger Montague as a Top Tier Law Firm for Antitrust: Civil Litigation/Class Actions: Plaintiff in the United States in its 2021 guide and states that Berger Montague's antitrust department "has a flair for handling high-stakes plaintiff-side cases, regularly winning high-value settlements for clients following antitrust law violations."

- ***In re Payment Card Interchange Fee and Merchant Discount Antitrust Litigation:*** Berger Montague served as co-lead counsel for a national class including millions of merchants in the *Payment Card Interchange Fee and Merchant Discount Antitrust Litigation* against Visa, MasterCard, and several of the largest banks in the U.S. (e.g., Chase, Bank of America, and Citi). The lawsuit alleged that merchants paid excessive fees to accept Visa and MasterCard cards because the payment cards, individually and together with their respective member banks, violated the antitrust laws. The challenged conduct included, *inter alia*, the collective fixing of interchange fees and adoption of rules that hindered any competitive pressure by merchants to reduce those fees. The lawsuit further alleged that defendants maintained their conspiracy even after both Visa and MasterCard changed their corporate forms from joint ventures owned by member banks to publicly-owned corporations following commencement of this litigation. On September 18, 2018, after thirteen years of hard-fought litigation, Visa and MasterCard agreed to pay as much as approximately \$6.26 billion, but no less than approximately \$5.56 billion, to settle the case. This result is the largest-ever class action settlement of an antitrust case. The settlement received preliminary approval on January 24, 2019. The settlement received final approval on December 16, 2019, for approximately \$5.6 billion. *Appeal pending.*
- ***Contant, et al. v. Bank of America Corp., et al.:*** Berger Montague served as lead class counsel in the multistate indirect purchaser antitrust class action *Contant, et al. v. Bank of America Corp., et al.*, against 16 of the world's largest dealer banks. Plaintiffs alleged that the defendants colluded to manipulate prices on foreign currency ("FX") instruments, using a number of methods to carry out their conspiracies, including sharing confidential price and order information through electronic chat rooms, thereby enabling the defendants to coordinate pricing and eliminate price competition. As with prior bank rigging scandals involving conspiracies to manipulate prices on other financial instruments, the defendants' alleged conspiracy to manipulate FX prices was the subject of numerous governmental investigations as well as direct purchaser class actions brought under antitrust federal law. However, the *Contant* action was the first of such cases to bring claims under state indirect purchaser antitrust laws on behalf of state-wide classes of retail investors of those financial instruments and whose claims have never been redressed. On July 29, 2019, U.S. District Judge Lorna G. Schofield granted preliminary approval of a \$10 million settlement with Citigroup and a \$985,000 settlement with MUFG Bank Ltd. On July 17, 2020, the Court granted preliminary approval of three settlements with all remaining defendants for a combined \$12.695 million. Each of the five settlements, totaling \$23.63 million, received final approval on November 19, 2020.
- ***In re Dental Supplies Antitrust Litigation:*** Berger Montague served as co-lead counsel for a class of dental practices and dental laboratories in *In re Dental Supplies Antitrust Litigation*, a suit brought against Henry Schein, Inc., Patterson Companies, Inc., and Benco Dental Supply Company, the three largest distributors of dental supplies in the United States. On September 7, 2018, co-lead counsel announced that they agreed with

defendants to settle on a classwide basis for \$80 million. The settlement received final approval on June 24, 2019. The suit alleged that the defendants, who collectively control close to 90 percent of the dental supplies and equipment distribution market, conspired to restrain trade and fix prices at anticompetitive levels, in violation of the Sherman Act. In furtherance of the alleged conspiracy, plaintiffs claimed that the defendants colluded to boycott and pressure dental manufacturers, dental distributors, and state dental associations that did business with or considered doing business with the defendants' lower-priced rivals. The suit claimed that, because of the defendants' anticompetitive conduct, members of the class were overcharged on dental supplies and equipment. In the 2019 Fairness Hearing, Judge Brian M. Cogan of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York said: "This is a substantial recovery that has the deterrent effect that class actions are supposed to have, and I think it was done because we had really good Plaintiffs' lawyers in this case who were running it."

- ***In re Domestic Drywall Antitrust Litigation:*** Berger Montague served as co-lead counsel on behalf of a class of direct purchasers of drywall, in a case alleging that the dominant manufacturers of drywall engaged in a conspiracy to fix drywall prices in the U.S. and to abolish the industry's long-standing practice of limiting price increases for the duration of a construction project through "job quotes." Berger Montague represented a class of direct purchasers of drywall from defendants for the period from January 1, 2012 to January 31, 2013. USG Corporation and United States Gypsum Company (collectively, "USG"), New NGC, Inc., Lafarge North America Inc., Eagle Materials, Inc., American Gypsum Company LLC, TIN Inc. d/b/a Temple-Inland Inc., and PABCO Building Products, LLC were named as defendants in this action. On August 20, 2015, the district court granted final approval of two settlements—one with USG and the other with TIN Inc.—totaling \$44.5 million. On December 8, 2016, the district court granted final approval of a \$21.2 million settlement with Lafarge North America, Inc. On February 18, 2016, the district court denied the motions for summary judgment filed by American Gypsum Company, New NGC, Inc., Lafarge North America, Inc., and PABCO Building Products. On August 23, 2017, the district court granted direct purchaser plaintiffs' motion for class certification. On January 29, 2018, the district court granted preliminary approval of a joint settlement with the remaining defendants, New NGC, Inc., Eagle Materials, Inc., American Gypsum Company LLC, and PABCO Building Products, LLC, for \$125 million. The settlement received final approval on July 17, 2018, bringing the total amount of settlements for the class to \$190.7 million.
- ***In re Currency Conversion Fee Antitrust Litigation:*** Berger Montague, as one of two co-lead counsel, spearheaded a class action lawsuit alleging that the major credit cards had conspired to fix prices for foreign currency conversion fees imposed on credit card transactions. After eight years of litigation, a settlement of \$336 million was approved in October 2009, with a Final Judgment entered in November 2009. Following the resolution of eleven appeals, the District Court, on October 5, 2011, directed distribution of the settlement funds to more than 10 million timely filed claimants, among the largest class of

claimants in an antitrust consumer class action. A subsequent settlement with American Express increased the settlement amount to \$386 million. (MDL No. 1409 (S.D.N.Y)).

- ***In re Marchbanks Truck Service Inc., et al. v. Comdata Network, Inc.***: Berger Montague was co-lead counsel in this antitrust class action brought on behalf of a class of thousands of Independent Truck Stops. The lawsuit alleged that defendant Comdata Network, Inc. had monopolized the market for specialized Fleet Cards used by long-haul truckers. Comdata imposed anticompetitive provisions in its agreements with Independent Truck Stops that artificially inflated the fees Independents paid when accepting the Comdata's Fleet Card for payment. These contractual provisions, commonly referred to as anti-steering provisions or merchant restraints, barred Independents from taking various competitive steps that could have been used to steer fleets to rival payment cards. The settlement for \$130 million and valuable prospective relief was preliminary approved on March 17, 2014, and finally approved on July 14, 2014. In its July 14, 2014 order approving Class Counsel's fee request, entered contemporaneously with its order finally approving the settlement, the Court described this outcome as "substantial, both in absolute terms, and when assessed in light of the risks of establishing liability and damages in this case."
- ***Ross, et al. v. Bank of America (USA) N.A., et al.***: Berger Montague, as lead counsel for the cardholder classes, obtained final approval of settlements reached with Chase, Bank of America, Capital One and HSBC, on claims that the defendant banks unlawfully acted in concert to require cardholders to arbitrate disputes, including debt collections, and to preclude cardholders from participating in any class actions. The case was brought for injunctive relief only. The settlements remove arbitration clauses nationwide for 3.5 years from the so-called "cardholder agreements" for over 100 million credit card holders. This victory for consumers and small businesses came after nearly five years of hard-fought litigation, including obtaining a decision by the Court of Appeals reversing the order dismissing the case, and will aid consumers and small businesses in their ability to resist unfair and abusive credit card practices. In June 2009, the National Arbitration Forum (or "NAF") was added as a defendant. Berger Montague also reached a settlement with NAF. Under that agreement, NAF ceased administering arbitration proceedings involving business cards for a period of three and one-half (3.5) years, which relief is in addition to the requirements of a Consent Judgment with the State of Minnesota, entered into by the NAF on July 24, 2009.
- ***Johnson, et al. v AzHHA, et al.***: Berger Montague was co-lead counsel in this litigation on behalf of a class of temporary nursing personnel, against the Arizona Hospital and Healthcare Association, and its member hospitals, for agreeing and conspiring to fix the rates and wages for temporary nursing personnel, causing class members to be underpaid. The court approved \$24 million in settlements on behalf of this class of nurses. (Case No. 07-1292 (D. Ariz.)).

The firm has also played a leading role in cases in the pharmaceutical arena, especially in cases involving the delayed entry of generic competition, having achieved over \$2 billion in settlements in such cases over the past decade, including:

- ***In re: Namenda Direct Purchaser Antitrust Litigation:*** Berger Montague is co-lead counsel for the class in this antitrust action brought on behalf of a class of direct purchasers of branded and/or generic Namenda IR and/or branded Namenda XR. It settled for \$750 million on the very eve of trial. The \$750 million settlement received final approval on May 27, 2020, and is the largest single-defendant settlement ever for a case alleging delayed generic competition. (Case No. 15-cv-7488 (S.D.N.Y.)).
- ***King Drug Co. v. Cephalon, Inc.:*** Berger Montague played a major role (serving on the executive committee) in this antitrust class action on behalf of direct purchasers of the prescription drug Provigil (modafinil). After nine years of hard-fought litigation, the court approved a \$512 million partial settlement, then the largest settlement ever for a case alleging delayed generic competition. (Case No. 2:06-cv-01797 (E.D. Pa.)). Subsequent non-class settlements pushed the total settlement figure even higher.
- ***In re Aggrenox Antitrust Litigation:*** Berger Montague represented a class of direct purchasers of Aggrenox in an action alleging that defendants delayed the availability of less expensive generic Aggrenox through, *inter alia*, unlawful reverse payment agreements. The case settled for \$146 million. (Case No. 14-02516 (D. Conn.)).
- ***In re Asacol Antitrust Litigation:*** The firm served as class counsel for direct purchasers of Asacol HS and Delzicol in a case alleging that defendants participated in a scheme to block generic competition for the ulcerative colitis drug Asacol. The case settled for \$15 million. (Case No. 15-cv-12730-DJC (D. Mass.)).
- ***In re Celebrex (Celecoxib) Antitrust Litigation:*** The firm represented a class of direct purchasers of brand and generic Celebrex (celecoxib) in an action alleging that Pfizer, in violation of the Sherman Act, improperly obtained a patent for Celebrex from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in a scheme to unlawfully extend patent protection and delay market entry of generic versions of Celebrex. The case settled for \$94 million. (Case No. 14-cv-00361 (E.D. VA.)).
- ***In re DDAVP Direct Purchaser Antitrust Litigation:*** Berger Montague served as co-lead counsel in a case that charged defendants with using sham litigation and a fraudulently obtained patent to delay the entry of generic versions of the prescription drug DDAVP. Berger Montague achieved a \$20.25 million settlement only after winning a precedent-setting victory before the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit that ruled that direct purchasers had standing to recover overcharges arising from a patent-holder's misuse of an allegedly fraudulently obtained patent. (Case No. 05-2237 (S.D.N.Y.)).
- ***In re K-Dur Antitrust Litigation:*** Berger Montague served as co-lead counsel for the class in this long-running antitrust litigation. Berger Montague litigated the case before the

Court of Appeals and won a precedent-setting victory and continued the fight before the Supreme Court. On remand, the case settled for \$60.2 million. (Case No. 01-1652 (D.N.J.)).

- ***In re Loestrin 24 Fe Antitrust Litigation:*** Berger Montague served as co-lead counsel for the class of direct purchasers of brand Loestrin, generic Loestrin, and/or brand Minastrin. The direct purchaser class alleged that defendants violated federal antitrust laws by unlawfully impairing the introduction of generic versions of the prescription drug Loestrin 24 Fe. The case settled shortly before trial for \$120 million (Case No. 13-md-2472) (D.R.I.).
- ***Meijer, Inc., et al. v. Abbott Laboratories:*** Berger Montague served as co-lead counsel in a class action on behalf of pharmaceutical wholesalers and pharmacies charging Abbott Laboratories with illegally maintaining monopoly power and overcharging purchasers in violation of the federal antitrust laws. Plaintiffs alleged that Abbott had used its monopoly with respect to its anti-HIV medicine Norvir (ritonavir) to protect its monopoly power for another highly profitable Abbott HIV drug, Kaletra. This antitrust class action settled for \$52 million after four days of a jury trial in federal court in Oakland, California. (Case No. 07-5985 (N.D. Cal.)).
- ***Mylan Pharmaceuticals, Inc. v. Warner Chilcott Public Ltd. Co.:*** Berger Montague served as co-lead counsel in a case challenging Warner Chilcott's alleged anticompetitive practices with respect to the branded drug Doryx. The case settled for \$15 million. (Case No. 2:12-cv-03824 (E.D. Pa.)).
- ***In re Oxycontin Antitrust Litigation:*** Berger Montague served as co-lead counsel on behalf of direct purchasers of the prescription drug Oxycontin. The case settled in 2011 for \$16 million. (Case No. 1:04-md-01603 (S.D.N.Y.)).
- ***In re Prandin Direct Purchaser Antitrust Litigation:*** Berger Montague served as co-lead counsel and recovered \$19 million on behalf of direct purchasers of the diabetes medication Prandin. (Case No. 2:10-cv-12141 (E.D. Mich.)).
- ***Rochester Drug Co-Operative, Inc. v. Braintree Labs., Inc.:*** Berger Montague served as co-lead counsel on behalf of direct purchasers alleging sham litigation led to the delay of generic forms of the brand drug Miralax. The case settled for \$17.25 million. (Case No. 07-142 (D. Del.)).
- ***In re Skelaxin Antitrust Litigation:*** Berger Montague was among a small group of firms litigating on behalf of direct purchasers of the drug Skelaxin. The case settled for \$73 million. (Case No. 2:12-cv-83 / 1:12-md-02343) (E.D. Tenn.)).
- ***In re Solodyn Antitrust Litigation:*** Berger Montague served as co-lead counsel representing a class of direct purchasers of brand and generic Solodyn (extended-release

minocycline hydrochloride tablets) alleging that defendants entered into agreements not to compete in the market for extended-release minocycline hydrochloride tablets in violation of the Sherman Act. With a final settlement on the eve of trial, the case settled for a total of more than \$76 million. (Case No. 14-MD-2503-DJC (D. Mass.)).

- ***In re Tricor Antitrust Litigation:*** Berger Montague was one of a small group of counsel in a case alleging that the manufacturer of this drug was paying its competitors to refrain from introducing less expensive generic versions of Tricor. The case settled for \$250 million. (No. 05-340 (D. Del.)).
- ***In re Wellbutrin XL Antitrust Litigation:*** Berger Montague served as co-lead counsel for a class of direct purchasers of the antidepressant Wellbutrin XL. A settlement of \$37.5 million was reached with Valeant Pharmaceuticals (formerly Biovail), one of two defendants in the case. (Case No. 08-cv-2431 (E.D. Pa.)).

#### **Judicial Praise for Berger Montague's Antitrust Cases**

From **Judge Lorna G. Schofield**, of the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York:

"I'm not sure I've ever seen a case without a single objection or opt-out, so congratulations on that."

Transcript of the November 19, 2020 Hearing in ***Contant, et al. v. Bank of America Corp., et al.***, No. 1:17-cv-03139 (S.D.N.Y.).

From **Judge William E. Smith**, of the U.S. District Court for the District of Rhode Island:

"The degree to which you all litigated the case is – you know, I can't imagine attorneys litigating a case more rigorously than you all did in this case. It seems like every conceivable, legitimate, substantive dispute that could have been fought over was fought over to the max. So you, both sides, I think litigated the case as vigorously as any group of attorneys could. The level of representation of all parties in terms of the sophistication of counsel was, in my view, of the highest levels. I can't imagine a case in which there was really a higher quality of representation across the board than this one."

Transcript of the August 27, 2020 Hearing in ***In re Loestrin 24 Fe Antitrust Litigation***, No. 13-md-02472 (D.R.I.).

From **Judge Margo K. Brodie**, of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York:

"Class counsel has without question done a tremendous job in litigating this case. They represent some of the best plaintiff-side antitrust groups in the country, and the size and skill of the defense they litigated against cannot be overstated. They have also

demonstrated the utmost professionalism despite the demands of the extreme perseverance that this case has required..."

*In re Payment Card Interchange Fee and Merchant Discount Antitrust Litigation*, No. 1:05-md-01720 (E.D.N.Y. 2019) (Mem. & Order).

From **Judge Brian M. Cogan**, of the U.S. District Court of the Eastern District of New York:

"This is a substantial recovery that has the deterrent effect that class actions are supposed to have, and I think it was done because we had really good Plaintiffs' lawyers in this case who were running it."

Transcript of the June 24, 2019 Fairness Hearing in *In re Dental Supplies Antitrust Litigation*, No. 16-cv-696 (E.D.N.Y.).

From **Judge Michael M. Bayson**, of the U.S. District Court of the Eastern District of Pennsylvania:

"[C]ounsel...for direct action plaintiffs have done an outstanding job here with representing the class, and I thought your briefing was always very on point. I thought the presentation of the very contentious issues on the class action motion was very well done, it was very well briefed, it was well argued."

Transcript of the June 28, 2018 Hearing in *In re Domestic Drywall Antitrust Litigation*, No. MD-13-2437 at 11:6-11.

From **Judge Madeline Cox Arleo**, of the U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey praising the efforts of all counsel:

"I just want to thank you for an outstanding presentation. I don't say that lightly . . . it's not lost on me at all when lawyers come very, very prepared. And really, your clients should be very proud to have such fine lawyering. I don't see lawyering like this every day in the federal courts, and I am very grateful. And I appreciate the time and the effort you put in, not only to the merits, but the respect you've shown for each other, the respect you've shown for the Court, the staff, and the time constraints. And as I tell my law clerks all the time, good lawyers don't fight, good lawyers advocate. And I really appreciate that more than I can express."

Transcript of the September 9 to 11, 2015 Daubert Hearing in *Castro v. Sanofi Pasteur*, No. 11-cv-07178 (D.N.J.) at 658:14-659:4.

From **Judge William H. Pauley, III**, of the U.S. District Court of the Southern District of New York:

"Class Counsel did their work on their own with enormous attention to detail and unflagging devotion to the cause. Many of the issues in this litigation . . . were unique and issues of first impression."

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"Class Counsel provided extraordinarily high-quality representation. This case raised a number of unique and complex legal issues .... The law firms of Berger Montague and Coughlin Stoia were indefatigable. They represented the Class with a high degree of professionalism, and vigorously litigated every issue against some of the ablest lawyers in the antitrust defense bar."

*In re Currency Conversion Fee Antitrust Litigation*, 263 F.R.D. 110, 129 (2009).

From **Judge Faith S. Hochberg**, of the United States District court for the District of New Jersey:

"[W]e sitting here don't always get to see such fine lawyering, and it's really wonderful for me both to have tough issues and smart lawyers ... I want to congratulate all of you for the really hard work you put into this, the way you presented the issues, ... On behalf of the entire federal judiciary I want to thank you for the kind of lawyering we wish everybody would do."

*In re Remeron Antitrust Litig.*, Civ. No. 02-2007 (Nov. 2, 2005).

From U.S. District **Judge Jan DuBois**, of the U.S. District Court of the Eastern District of Pennsylvania:

"[T]he size of the settlements in absolute terms and expressed as a percentage of total damages evidence a high level of skill by petitioners ... The Court has repeatedly stated that the lawyering in the case at every stage was superb, and does so again."

*In re Linerboard Antitrust Litig.*, 2004 WL 1221350, at \*5-\*6 (E.D. Pa. 2004).

From **Judge Nancy G. Edmunds**, of the U.S. District Court of the Eastern District of Michigan:

"[T]his represents an excellent settlement for the Class and reflects the outstanding effort on the part of highly experienced, skilled, and hard working Class Counsel....[T]heir efforts were not only successful, but were highly organized and efficient in addressing numerous complex issues raised in this litigation[.]"

*In re Cardizem CD Antitrust Litig.*, MDL No. 1278 (E.D. Mich., Nov. 26, 2002).

From **Judge Charles P. Kocoras**, of the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois:

"The stakes were high here, with the result that most matters of consequence were contested. There were numerous trips to the courthouse, and the path to the trial court and the Court of Appeals frequently traveled. The efforts of counsel for the class has [sic] produced a substantial recovery, and it is represented that the cash settlement alone is the second largest in the history of class action litigation. . . .There is no question that the results achieved by class counsel were extraordinary [.]"

Regarding the work of Berger Montague in achieving more than \$700 million in settlements with some of the defendants in *In Re Brand Name Prescription Drugs Antitrust Litigation*, 2000 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 1734, at \*3-\*6 (N.D. Ill. Feb. 9, 2000).

From **Judge Peter J. Messitte**, of the U.S. District Court for the District of Maryland:

"The experience and ability of the attorneys I have mentioned earlier, in my view in reviewing the documents, which I have no reason to doubt, the plaintiffs' counsel are at the top of the profession in this regard and certainly have used their expertise to craft an extremely favorable settlement for their clients, and to that extent they deserve to be rewarded."

Settlement Approval Hearing, Oct. 28, 1994, in *Spawd, Inc. and General Generics v. Bolar Pharmaceutical Co., Inc.*, CA No. PJM-92-3624 (D. Md.).

From **Senior Judge William K. Thomas**, Northern District of Ohio

Examination of the experience-studded biographies of the attorneys primarily involved in this litigation and review of their pioneering prosecution of many class actions in antitrust, securities, toxic tort matters and some defense representation in antitrust and other litigation, this court has no difficulty in approving and adopting the hourly rates fixed by Judge Aldrich." –

*In re Revco Securities Litig.*, 1:89CV0593, 1993 WL 497208, at \*2 (N.D. Ohio Sept. 14, 1993)

From **Judge Donald W. Van Artsdalen**, of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania:

"As to the quality of the work performed, although that would normally be reflected in the not immodest hourly rates of all attorneys, for which one would expect to obtain excellent quality work at all times, the results of the settlements speak for themselves. Despite the extreme uncertainties of trial, plaintiffs' counsel were able to negotiate a cash settlement of a not insubstantial sum, and in addition, by way of equitable relief, substantial concessions by the defendants which, subject to various condition, will afford the right, at least, to lessee-dealers to obtain gasoline supply product from major oil companies and suppliers other than from their respective lessors. The additional benefits obtained for the classes by way of equitable relief would, in and of itself, justify some upward adjustment of the lodestar figure."

*Bogosian v. Gulf Oil Corp.*, 621 F. Supp. 27, 31 (E.D. Pa. 1985).

From **Judge Krupansky**, who had been elevated to the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals:

"Finally, the court unhesitatingly concludes that the quality of the representation rendered by counsel was uniformly high. The attorneys involved in this litigation are extremely experienced and skilled in their prosecution of antitrust litigation and other complex actions. Their services have been rendered in an efficient and expeditious manner, but have nevertheless been productive of highly favorable result."

*In re Art Materials Antitrust Litigation*, 1984 CCH Trade Cases ¶65,815 (N.D. Ohio 1983).

From **Judge Joseph Blumenfeld**, of the U.S. District Court for the District of Connecticut:

"The work of the Berger firm showed a high degree of efficiency and imagination, particularly in the maintenance and management of the national class actions."

*In re Master Key Antitrust Litigation*, 1977 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 12948, at \*35 (Nov. 4, 1977).

## Case Attorneys

### **Merrill G. Davidoff – Chair *Emeritus* & Managing Shareholder**

Merrill G. Davidoff is Chairman *Emeritus* and a Managing Shareholder, in addition to his continuing work as Co-Chairman of the Antitrust Department and Chairman of the Environmental Group. Mr. Davidoff has litigated and tried a wide range of antitrust, commodities, securities and environmental class actions.

In *In re Currency Conversion Fee Antitrust Litigation*, MDL No. 1409, Mr. Davidoff was co-lead counsel in class actions that resulted in settlements of \$386 million.

In a long-running environmental class action on behalf of property owners whose land was contaminated by plutonium from a neighboring nuclear weapons facility (Rocky Flats near Denver, Colorado), Mr. Davidoff served as lead counsel and lead trial counsel in a 2005-2006 trial that resulted in a \$554 million jury verdict, third largest of 2006. In 2009 the Rocky Flats trial team, led by Mr. Davidoff, received the prestigious Public Justice Award for "Trial Lawyer of the Year." A 2010 decision by the 10th Circuit Court of Appeals reversed the judgment that had been won in the district court, but Berger Montague persevered and sought entry of judgment under alternative state law grounds. After losing this battle in the district court, plaintiffs appealed to the 10th Circuit again, and, after an appeal argued by Mr. Davidoff, the Court of Appeals (by then-judge, now Justice, Neil Gorsuch) reversed and held that plaintiffs could proceed on state law nuisance grounds. Just before competing petitions for certiorari were to be decided by the Supreme Court, a settlement of \$375 million was announced in May 2016. The settlement received final approval on April 28, 2017.

Mr. Davidoff also concentrates his practice in representation for commodities futures and options traders as well as derivatives matters. He was co-lead counsel for the customer class in *In re MF Global Holdings Limited Investment Litigation*, which settled for well over a billion dollars and resulted in the recovery and return of 100% of lost customer funds after MF Global's October 31, 2011 collapse.

Mr. Davidoff has represented diverse clients, including many companies, sports organizations, trading firms and governmental entities. In the Qwest securities litigation, Mr. Davidoff represented New Jersey, securing a \$45 million "opt-out" settlement, and also represented New Jersey in "opt-out" litigation against the former public accounting firm for Lehman Brothers Inc.

Mr. Davidoff served as co-lead and trial counsel for a plaintiff class in the first mass tort class action trial in a federal court which resulted in a precedent-setting settlement for class members, *In re Louisville Explosions Litigation*. In the Canadian Radio-Television and Telecommunications Commission ("CRTC") Decisions (Challenge Communications, Ltd. v. Bell Canada), Mr. Davidoff was lead counsel for Applicant (plaintiff) in three evidentiary hearings before the CRTC. The hearings resulted in the first precedent-breaking Bell Canada's monopoly over the telecommunications equipment which was connected to its telephone network. He was lead counsel in the *Revco Securities Litigation*, an innovative "junk bond" class action, which settled

for \$36 million. Mr. Davidoff was lead plaintiffs' counsel and lead trial counsel in *In re Melridge Securities Litigation* tried to jury verdicts for \$88 million (securities fraud) and \$240 million (RICO). He was co-lead counsel for the class in *In re Graphite Electrodes Antitrust Litigation*, an international price-fixing case which yielded settlements ranging from 18% to 32% of the plaintiffs' and class' purchases from the defendants (aggregate settlements totaled \$134 million). He was one of co-lead counsel in the *Ikon Securities Litigation*, in which a settlement of \$111 million was obtained. He was co-lead counsel and designated lead trial counsel in the *In Re Sunbeam Securities Litigation*, where settlements of \$142 million were reached. One of his areas of concentration is representation in commodities futures and options matters, and expertise in derivatives. He has represented market-makers on the Philadelphia Stock Exchange, where he owned a member firm in the 1990s, as well as broker-dealers and market-makers on other exchanges.

### **Michael Dell'Angelo – Managing Shareholder**

Michael Dell'Angelo is a Managing Shareholder in the Antitrust, Commercial Litigation, Commodities & Financial Instruments practice groups and Co-Chair of the Securities department. He serves as co-lead counsel in a variety of complex antitrust cases, including *Le, et al. v. Zuffa, LLC*, No. 15-1045 (D. Nev.) (alleging the Ultimate Fighting Championship ("UFC") obtained illegal monopoly power of the market for Mixed Martial Arts promotions and suppressed the compensation of MMA fighters).

Mr. Dell'Angelo is responsible for winning numerous significant settlements for his clients and class members. Most recently, as co-lead counsel, Mr. Dell'Angelo helped to reach settlements totaling more than \$190 million in the multidistrict litigation *In re Domestic Drywall Antitrust Litig.*, No. 13-md-2437 (E.D. Pa.). There, in granting final approval to the last settlement, the court observed about Mr. Dell'Angelo and his colleagues that "Plaintiffs' counsel are experienced antitrust lawyers who have been working in this field of law for many years and have brought with them a sophisticated and highly professional approach to gathering persuasive evidence on the topic of price-fixing." *In re Domestic Drywall Antitrust Litig.*, No. 13-md-2437, 2018 WL 3439454, at \*18 (E.D. Pa. July 17, 2018). "[I]t bears repeating," the court emphasized, "that the result attained is directly attributable to having highly skilled and experienced lawyers represent the class in these cases." Id.

Mr. Dell'Angelo also serves or has recently served as co-lead counsel or class counsel in numerous cases alleging price-fixing or other wrongdoing affecting a variety of financial instruments, including *In re Commodity Exchange, Inc., Gold Futures and Options Trading Litig.*, 1:14-MD-2548-VEC (S.D.N.Y.) (\$102 million settlement pending approval; litigation is ongoing as to the remaining defendants); *In re Platinum and Palladium Antitrust Litig.*, No. 14-cv-09391-GHW (S.D.N.Y.); *Contant, et al. v. Bank of America Corp., et al.*, 1:17-cv-03139-LGS (S.D.N.Y.) (\$23.6 million in settlements); *In re Libor-Based Financial Instruments Antitrust Litig.*, No. 11-md-2262 (S.D.N.Y.) (\$187 million in settlements pending final approval); *Alaska Elec. Pension Fund, et al. v. Bank of Am. Corp., et al.*, No. 14 Civ. 7126-JMF (S.D.N.Y.) (\$504.5 million in settlements); *In re Crude Oil Commodity Futures Litig.*, No. 11-cv-3600 (S.D.N.Y.); and *In re London Silver Fixing*,

*Ltd. Antitrust Litig.*, No. 14-md-2573 (S.D.N.Y.) (\$38 million settlement pending approval; litigation is ongoing as to the remaining defendants).

Mr. Dell'Angelo also serves as lead counsel in numerous individual antitrust cases on behalf of purchasers of rail freight services from the four major rail carriers in the United States.

*The National Law Journal* featured Mr. Dell'Angelo in its profile of Berger Montague for a special annual report entitled “Plaintiffs’ Hot List.” *The National Law Journal’s* Hot List identifies the top plaintiff practices in the country. The Hot List profile focused on Mr. Dell'Angelo’s role in the MF Global litigation (*In re MF Global Holding Ltd. Inv. Litig.*, No. 12-MD-2338-VM (S.D.N.Y.)). In *MF Global*, Mr. Dell'Angelo represented former commodity account holders seeking to recover approximately \$1.6 billion of secured customer funds after the highly publicized collapse of MF Global, a major commodities brokerage. At the outset of this high-risk litigation, the odds appeared grim: MF Global had declared bankruptcy, leaving the corporate officers, a bank, and a commodity exchange as the only prospect for the recovery of class’s misappropriated funds. Nonetheless, four years later, a result few would have believed possible was achieved. Through a series of settlements, the former commodity account holders recovered more than 100 percent of their missing funds, totaling over \$1.6 billion.

Mr. Dell'Angelo has been recognized consistently as a Pennsylvania Super Lawyer, a distinction conferred upon him annually since 2007. He is regularly invited to speak at Continuing Legal Education (CLE) and other seminars and conferences, both locally and abroad. In response to his recent CLE, “How to Deal with the Rambo Litigator,” Mr. Dell'Angelo was singled out as “One of the best CLE speakers [attendees] have had the pleasure to see.”

#### **Candice J. Enders – Shareholder**

Candice J. Enders is a Shareholder in the Antitrust practice group. She concentrates her practice in complex antitrust litigation.

Ms. Enders has significant experience investigating and developing antitrust cases, navigating complex legal and factual issues, negotiating discovery, designing large-scale document reviews, synthesizing and distilling conspiracy evidence, and working with economic experts to develop models of antitrust impact and damages. Her work on antitrust conspiracy cases has contributed to significant settlements totaling hundreds of millions of dollars, including in *In re Domestic Drywall Antitrust Litigation*, No. 13-2437 (E.D. Pa.) (\$190 million in total settlements); *In re Commodity Exchange, Inc. Gold Futures & Options Trading Litigation*, No. 14-2548 (S.D.N.Y.) (\$60 million settlement with Deutsche Bank preliminarily approved; preliminary approval of \$42 million settlement with Defendant HSBC pending; litigation continuing against remaining defendants); *In re Microcrystalline Cellulose Antitrust Litigation*, No. 01-111 (E.D. Pa.) (\$50 million settlement achieved shortly before trial).

In addition to her case work, Ms. Enders contributes to the administration of the firm by serving as the firm’s Attorney Recruitment Coordinator, Paralegal Coordinator, and a member of the Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Task Force.

### **Martin I. Twersky – Shareholder**

Martin I. Twersky is a Shareholder in the Antitrust Department. He has considerable experience in litigation involving a wide range of industries including oil and gas, banking, airline, waste hauling, agricultural chemicals and other regulated industries. For more than 40 years, Mr. Twersky has successfully represented numerous plaintiffs and defendants in both individual and class actions pending in state and federal courts.

Mr. Twersky has played a leading role in the following class action cases among others: *In re Containerboard Antitrust Litigation* (N.D. Ill.) (where settlements of more than \$350 million were obtained for the class; see 306 F.R.D. 585 (N.D. Ill., 2015) (certifying class)); *In re Linerboard Antitrust Litigation* (E.D. Pa.) (as a member of the Executive Committee, he helped obtain settlements of more than \$200 million and he received specific praise from the court for co-managing the major discovery effort; see 2004 WL 1221350 at \*10); *In re Graphite Antitrust Litigation* (E.D. Pa.) (settlements of more than \$120 million); *In re Catfish Antitrust Litigation* (N.D. Miss.) (as a member of the trial team he helped obtain settlements of more than \$27 million); *In re Revco Securities Litigation* (N.D. Ohio) ("Junk Bond" class action where settlements of \$36 million were reached and where he received judicial praise from Senior District Court Judge William K. Thomas for the "specialized, highly competent and effective quality of the legal services." See 1993 CCH Fed Sec. L. Rep. at Para. 97,809); *Bogosian v. Gulf Oil* (E.D. Pa.) (landmark litigation with settlements and injunctive relief on behalf of a nationwide class of gasoline dealers). In *Bogosian*, District Judge Donald Van Artsdalen praised class counsel as follows: "Despite the extreme uncertainties of trial, plaintiffs' counsel were able to negotiate a cash settlement of a not insubstantial sum, and in addition, by way of equitable relief, substantial concessions by the defendants..."; see 621 f. supp 27, 31 (E.D. Pa. 1985); and *Lease Oil Antitrust* (S.D. Tex.), where in a significant class action decision, the Fifth Circuit affirmed the granting of an injunction prohibiting settlements in related state court actions (see 200 F.3d 317 (5th Cir. 2000), cert. denied, 530 U.S. 1263). Mr. Twersky was appointed one of the co-lead counsel in *In re Abrasive Grains Antitrust Litig.* (95-cv-7574) (W.D.N.Y.).

Mr. Twersky has also played a key role in various non-class action cases, such as *Kutner Buick v. America Motors*, 848 F.2d 614 (3rd Circuit 1989) (breach of contract) (cited in the Advisory Committee Notes to the 1991 Amendment to Rule 50, Fed. R. Civ. P.), *Florham Park v. Chevron* (D.N.J. 1988) (Petroleum Marketing Act case), and *Frigitemp v. IDT Corp.*, 638 F. Supp. 916 (S.D. N.Y. 1986) and 76 B.R. 275, 1987 LEXIS 6547 (S.D. N.Y. 1987) (RICO case brought by the Trustee of Frigitemp Corp. against General Dynamics and others involving extortion of kickbacks from Frigitemp officers). Mr. Twersky also served prominently in savings-and-loan related securities and fraud litigation in federal and state courts in Florida, where the firm represented the Resolution Trust Corporation and officers of a failed bank in complex litigation involving securities, RICO and breach of fiduciary duty claims. E.g., *Royal Palm v. Rapaport*, Civ. No. 88-8510 (S.D. Fla.) and *Rapaport v. Burgoon*, CL-89-3748 (Palm Beach County).

**Zachary D. Caplan – Senior Counsel**

Zach Caplan concentrates his practice on complex civil litigation. He has significant experience with antitrust, class action, commodities, and healthcare matters.

Mr. Caplan is fluent in all phases of litigation including investigation, strategy development, discovery, motion practice, working with experts, settlement/mediation, and trial. He has navigated a variety of individual and corporate clients through difficult legal and factual issues in high stakes matters. His work has contributed to favorable outcomes and settlements totaling hundreds of millions of dollars on behalf of clients.

In addition to his case work, Mr. Caplan is particularly adept in e-discovery and serves as the firm's subject matter expert in this area. In this role, he distills legal and technology jargon to provide practical counsel to the firm's litigation teams in all practice areas. He also provides guidance on managing outside vendors and conducts training programs for the firm.

**Daniel E. Listwa – Counsel**

Daniel E. Listwa is counsel in Berger Montague's antitrust department and concentrates his practice on mass tort class action commodities and pharmaceutical litigation, with a focus on manipulation of precious metals markets and the suppression of generic competition by drug manufacturers. His efforts have contributed to settlements totaling hundreds of millions of dollars on behalf of Berger Montague's clients.

Before joining Berger Montague, Mr. Listwa defended doctors, medical practices, and hospital systems in medical malpractice actions. He also served as law clerk to the Honorable J. Brian Johnson of the Lehigh County Court of Common Pleas. While in law school, Mr. Listwa was a staff writer for the Boston College Environmental Affairs Law Review and interned at the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

**Gary E. Cantor – Of Counsel**

Gary E. Cantor is Of Counsel in the Philadelphia office. He concentrates his practice on securities and commercial litigation and derivatives valuations.

Mr. Cantor served as co-lead counsel in *Steiner v. Phillips, et al.* (*Southmark Securities*), Consolidated C.A. No. 3-89-1387-X (N.D. Tex.), (class settlement of \$82.5 million), and *In re Kenbee Limited Partnerships Litigation*, Civil Action No. 91-2174 (GEB), (class settlement involving 119 separate limited partnerships resulting in cash settlement, oversight of partnership governance and debt restructuring (with as much as \$100 million in wrap mortgage reductions)). Mr. Cantor also represented plaintiffs in numerous commodity cases.

In recent years, Mr. Cantor played a leadership role in *In re Oppenheimer Rochester Funds Group Securities Litigation* (\$89.5 million settlement on behalf of investors in six tax-exempt bond mutual funds managed by OppenheimerFunds, Inc.), No. 09-md-02063-JLK (D. Col.); *In re KLA-Tencor Corp. Securities Litigation*, Master File No. C-06-04065-CRB (N.D. Cal.) (\$65 million class settlement); *In re Sepracor Inc. Securities Litigation*, Civil Action no. 02-12235-MEL (D. Mass.)

(\$52.5 million settlement.); *In re Sotheby's Holding, Inc. Securities Litigation*, No. 00 Civ. 1041 (DLC) (S.D.N.Y.) (\$70 million class settlement). He was also actively involved in the *Merrill Lynch Securities Litigation* (class settlement of \$475 million) and *Waste Management Securities Litigation* (class settlement of \$220 million).

For over 20 years, Mr. Cantor also has concentrated on securities valuations and the preparation of event or damage studies or the supervision of outside damage experts for many of the firm's cases involving stocks, bonds, derivatives, and commodities. Mr. Cantor's work in this regard has focused on statistical analysis of securities trading patterns and pricing for determining materiality, loss causation and damages as well as aggregate trading models to determine class-wide damages.

Mr. Cantor was a member of the Moot Court Board at University of Pennsylvania Law School where he authored a comment on computer-generated evidence in the University of Pennsylvania Law Review. He graduated from Rutgers College with the highest distinction in economics and was a member of Phi Beta Kappa.