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Edward Timlin practices out of the firm's New York office, where he prosecutes corporate governance, securities fraud, and other shareholder rights litigation on behalf of the firm's institutional clients.

He has been a senior member of the trial teams prosecuting a number of the firm's most significant litigations, including *Allergan Proxy Violation Litigation*, in which the team obtained a \$250 million settlement for Allergan, Inc. investors after fighting a ferocious three-year legal battle to stop an unprecedented and sophisticated insider-trading scheme by billionaire hedge fund manager Bill Ackman. He also led *In re Viacom Inc. Stockholders Litigation*, a case concerning National Amusement's 2019 merger of its two publicly traded controlled companies, Viacom and CBS. The \$122.5 million settlement in that case was one of the largest recoveries ever in a Delaware stockholder class action.

In recognition of his accomplishments, Ed is regularly included in the "Rising Star" list of leading practitioners published by Thomson Reuters' *Super Lawyers*, and has been named a "Rising Star" by *Law360*. He was named to *Benchmark Litigation's* "40 and Under List" for three consecutive years was recognized by the publication as a "Future Star."

Some of other representative litigations include:

- *Cummings v. Edens* (New Senior Investment Group), where the team recovered \$53 million from New Senior's controlling stockholder, Fortress Investment Group, in connection with New Senior's conflicted buyout of 28 Fortress owned assisted-living facilities. The settlement recovered over 50% of the most likely damages and was one of the largest recoveries by market cap in Delaware history.
- *In re Pivotal Software*, where the team secured a \$42.5 million settlement in connection with the conflicted buyout of Pivotal by its controlling stockholders, Michael Dell, Dell Technologies, and VMware shortly before trial.
- *In re Pilgrim's Pride*, where the team secured a \$42.5 million settlement from Pilgrim's Pride's controlling stockholder, JBS, in connection with Pilgrim's Pride's conflicted buyout of JBS-controlled chicken company, Moy Park.
- *Hawkes v. The Toronto Dominion Bank* (Ameritrade), where the team recovered \$31.5 million in connection with T.D. Bank's conflicted buyout of its publicly traded subsidiary, Ameritrade.
- *In re TIBCO Software Stockholder Litigation*, where the team pursued novel and precedent-setting merger agreement reformation claims and recovered 33% of potential damages shortly before trial.

- *In re Jefferies, Inc. Stockholder Litigation*, which challenged Leucadia's 2013 acquisition of Jefferies Financial Group, and settled for a \$75 million net payment paid entirely to a class of former Jefferies investors.
- *In re Intuitive Surgical Shareholder Derivative Litigation*, a corporate oversight case alleging that insiders at the robotic surgery manufacturer sold hundreds of millions of dollars' worth of stock at near highs, while hiding safety defects in its electrified instruments that were causing deaths, burns, and other injuries. The suit resulted in \$15 million recovery from the insiders and a variety of critical FDA and insider-trading compliance reforms.

Ed is currently a member of the teams prosecuting *In re Straight Path Communications, Inc.*; *In re Santander Consumer USA Holdings Inc.*; *Ontario Provincial Carpenters, et al. v. Robson Walton, et. al* (Walmart Opioid Derivative Case); and *In re AMC Entertainment Holdings, Inc. Stockholder Litigation*.

Prior to joining BLB&G, Ed was a senior litigation associate at a major corporate law firm. Among other matters, he successfully represented corporate clients in complex litigation, including securities class actions, derivative actions, and merger and acquisitions matters.

Edward received his law degree from Columbia Law School in 2009 and bachelor's degree from Cornell University in 2006, both with academic honors.

Education

- Columbia Law School, J.D., *Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar*, 2009
- Cornell University, B.A., *Philosophy and History*, 2006

Admission

- New York

News

- January 5, 2022 - *Reuters* Highlights BLB&G's SPAC Case, *In re Multiplan Corp Stockholders Litigation*, as "Opening the Door to Liability for SPAC Sponsors"
- January 24, 2020 - BLB&G Announces Elevation of Two Partners and Four Senior Counsel

Publications

- July 1, 2015 - "Dispatches from the Battleground: Will Fee-Shifting Bylaws Keep Shareholders from the Courthouse?" by Edward Timlin
- December 1, 2014 - "New Barriers to Shareholder Litigation: Corporations Adopt Fee-Shifting Bylaws in Effort to Undermine Shareholder Rights" by Edward Timlin and Adam Hollander

Awards

- October 24, 2023 - *Benchmark Litigation* Names BLB&G One of the Top Firms in the Nation in 2024 Guide
- July 11, 2023 - Four BLB&G Partners Named to 2023 "Lawdragon 500 X – The Next Generation" List

- May 26, 2023 - *Lawdragon* Names BLB&G Partners to the 2023 Edition of the "500 Leading Plaintiff Financial Lawyers" List
- October 3, 2022 - *Benchmark Litigation* Names BLB&G One of the Top Firms in the Nation in 2023 Guide
- July 27, 2022 - *Benchmark Litigation* Names Six BLB&G Partners to Its "40 & Under List"
- July 11, 2022 - *Lawdragon* Names BLB&G Partners to the 2022 Edition of the "500 Leading Plaintiff Financial Lawyers" List
- June 9, 2022 - The *Legal 500* Again Ranks BLB&G a National Tier 1 Firm for Securities Litigation and M&A Litigation
- August 18, 2021 - *Lawdragon* Names BLB&G Partners to The 2021 Edition of the "500 Leading Plaintiff Financial Lawyers" List
- July 21, 2021 - *Benchmark Litigation* Names Six BLB&G Partners to Its "40 & Under Hot List"
- September 20, 2020 - 20 BLB&G Attorneys Named by *Super Lawyers* to its 2020 New York Metro Edition
- August 2020 - *Lawdragon* Names BLB&G Partners to The 2020 Edition of the "500 Leading Plaintiff Financial Lawyers" List
- July 30, 2020 - Three BLB&G Partners Named to *Benchmark Litigation's* 2020 "40 Under 40 Hot List" - Rebecca Boon, Katie Sinderson & Edward Timlin
- July 10, 2020 - *Law360* Profiles Ed Timlin as a Part of Series Honoring 2020 Rising Star award winners.
- July 5, 2020 - *Law360* Names BLB&G Partners Rebecca Boon and Edward Timlin to 2020 "Rising Stars" List
- September 2019 - 20 BLB&G Attorneys Named by *Super Lawyers* to its 2019 New York Metro Edition
- October 2018 - 20 BLB&G Attorneys Named by *Super Lawyers* to its 2018 New York Metro Edition
- September 20, 2017 - *Super Lawyers* Names 21 BLB&G Attorneys to its 2017 New York Metro Edition
- October 2016 - *Super Lawyers* Names 20 BLB&G Attorneys to its 2016 New York Metro Edition
- September 16, 2015 - 19 BLB&G Attorneys Selected to 2015 Super Lawyers New York Metro Edition

Events

- May 1, 2024 - BLB&G Partner Ed Timlin to Serve as Panelist at the University of Pennsylvania Carey Law School Spring Corporate Roundtable Event
- February 8, 2024 - BLB&G Partner Ed Timlin to Serve as Panelist at the Florida Bar Business Law Section's 40th Annual Federal Securities Institute
- July 28, 2023 - BLB&G Partner Ed Timlin Interviewed for Bloomberg Law's On the Merits Podcast
- March 1, 2023 - BLB&G Partner Ed Timlin to Serve as Panelist at The Florida Bar Business Law Section's Annual Federal Securities Institute
- March 24, 2022 - BLB&G Partner Ed Timlin Interviewed for ABA's Litigation Section Podcast on the Delaware Supreme Court's Recent *Zuckerberg* Decision