



## Natalie F. Lakosil

Associate

[natalie.lakosil@wilsonelser.com](mailto:natalie.lakosil@wilsonelser.com)

San Diego, CA – 619.321.6212

Natalie Lakosil handles securities and commercial litigation matters. She is experienced in litigating complex securities fraud class actions in federal court. Natalie defends clients in a wide variety of securities proceedings, including corporate misconduct claims, breach of fiduciary duty and related business torts.

Prior to joining Wilson Elser, Natalie was an associate in the San Diego office of a top-ranked securities law firm. Her practice focused on representing institutional and individual investors in securities fraud litigation. Before entering private practice, she was a Staff Attorney at the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, providing substantive legal analysis and advice on pending appeals. During law school, Natalie was accepted into the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission's Student Honors Program and volunteered in the enforcement division at the San Francisco Regional Office.

### Education

- Golden Gate University School of Law (J.D., *with honors*, 2018)
  - Staff Writer and Associate Editor, Golden Gate University Law Review
  - CALI Awards in Legal Writing and Research, Appellate Advocacy, Moot Court
  - Witkin Awards in Landlord-Tenant Law, Business Associations, Privacy, Defamation & Torts
  - National Order of the Scribes, Class of 2018
  - Allan & Murial Brotsky Pro Bono Award
- University of Arizona (B.A. Journalism, 2011)
  - Minor in Pre-Law

### Services

- Securities
- Commercial Litigation

## **Bar Admissions**

- California
- Arizona

## **Court Admissions**

- U.S. District Court, Southern District of California
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of California

## **Professional Affiliations**

- San Diego Volunteer Lawyer Program

# **Client Wins**

### **Crossing the “v.” Still Spells Victory!**

Sean Monks (Partner-San Diego, CA), Richard Bortnick (Of Counsel-Philadelphia, PA), and Natalie Lakosil (Associate-San Diego, CA) represented a corporation diluted in violation of a Stock Purchase and Subscription Agreement in Arbitration. Though not usually on the plaintiff's side of the “v.” the team got an outstanding result. Through its former CEO, our client enjoyed a long business relationship with the company in which he was a shareholder (the Respondent). Throughout the relationship, our client contributed to the Respondent's ongoing business in the form of various short-term loans as needed, each of which were promptly repaid. This relationship stemmed from the original share ownership of our client in the Respondent. However, when the former CEO left, the Respondent embarked on a campaign to dilute our client's percentage of ownership, which was protected in the Stock Purchase and Subscription Agreement. Unfortunately, under the leadership of the new CEO, the stock was reduced in value to fractions of a penny. Getting the shares “trued up” was going to provide no relief for our client. Through creative argument, Sean, Rick, and Natalie persuaded the arbitrator to rescind the contract to our client, leaving the contract intact for the other signatories. Including costs of the arbitration, our client was received nearly \$700,000 in the form of an award.