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About Leah

Leah has more than a decade of experience representing a broad range of clients, including mortgage lenders, servicers, banks, and other financial institutions, in complex, high-risk consumer financial services disputes. She handles all phases of litigation and has extensive knowledge regarding residential mortgage loans and foreclosures, loss mitigation programs, loan originations and closings, consumer protection statutes, and title insurance issues.

Leah has successfully argued cases in New York's Supreme Court and appellate divisions.

Leah's Affiliations

- New York State Bar Association
- National Association of Women Lawyers

Areas of Focus

Industries: Banking & Financial Institutions; Consumer Financial Services; Financial Services;
Mortgage Lending & Servicing

Services: Appellate; Complex Commercial Litigation ; Consumer & Class Action Defense;
Financial Services Litigation ; Litigation & Trial; Mortgage Lending & Servicing Litigation

Experience

- After a computation hearing, the foreclosure referee issued a report that found the full requested amount to be due. Upon moving to confirm the report and for a judgment of foreclosure and sale, the Rockland County Supreme Court approved it without imposing any sanctions on our client, which the court had previously threatened to impose.
- Following briefing and oral argument, the Kings County Supreme Court denied the defendant's motion to dismiss under the statute of limitations and granted summary judgment in favor of our client in a foreclosure action.
- Hinshaw represented a national mortgage servicer client in a foreclosure action before the Richmond County Supreme Court and settled the matter by convincing the defendants to accept a loan modification. The legal team advised the client on the potential risks involved and encouraged them to take a proactive approach towards reaching a settlement.
- Successful request for summary judgment granted in a foreclosure action by the Richmond County Supreme Court, after Hinshaw conducted oral argument and briefing on behalf of national mortgage servicer client. The defendants' counterclaim for intentional infliction of emotional distress was dismissed.
- Represented a national mortgage servicer in a foreclosure case before Suffolk County Supreme Court, resulting in a subject property sale.
- Represented a national mortgage servicer in the foreclosure case. The Kings County Supreme Court denied a stay on property sale despite the defendant's order to show cause for a temporary restraining order.

Recognition

- Boston College Law School, Order of the Coif

Credentials

Education

Boston College Law School, JD, *magna cum laude*, 2010

Wellesley College, BA, *summa cum laude*, 2007

Bar Admissions

New York

Court Admissions

US Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit

US District Court for the Eastern District of New York

US District Court for the Southern District of New York

Interests

Did you know...

Leah spends much of her free time with her family, including her two young children.

Thought Leadership

Blog Posts

- Recent Cases Offer Instruction for Lenders on Avoiding FAPA Estoppel in Foreclosure or Quiet Title Actions in New York, Jul 15, 2025
- Tips on Using a Settlement Conference RJI to Show CPLR 3215(c) Compliance in New York Foreclosure Actions, Nov 7, 2024

Hinshaw Alert

- New York Governor Hochul Signs Anti-Deed Theft Bill into Law: What Mortgage Lenders and Servicers Need to Know, Dec 6, 2023