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Rachel's practice focuses on counseling a broad range of clients, including insureds, brokers and insurtech companies. She regularly advises on claims and coverage issues in the areas of directors and officers (D&O) liability, employment practices liability (EPL), cyber liability, professional/errors and omissions (E&O) liability, human clinical trial liability, and commercial general liability (CGL), as well as dealing with complex insurance product development and insurance disputes.

In particular, she frequently counsels clients in the bankruptcy context and ahead of initial public offerings, including through special purpose acquisition company (SPAC) transactions.

Rachel also has experience advising private institutions, including colleges and universities, on risk management issues and complex insurance claims involving accusations of sexual abuse and other misconduct; sports-related injuries, including concussions; and employment-related claims, including improper poaching and wrongful termination.

Additionally, Rachel provides insurance-related advice on mergers and acquisitions, assisting in the procurement and negotiation of representation and warranty (R&W) insurance, conducting insurance-related diligence, and advising on insurance regulatory matters. She also maintains an active pro bono practice.

Before joining Cooley, Rachel was an associate at a boutique insurance coverage and litigation firm, where she served as coverage and litigation counsel to domestic and international insurers.

Publications

- Co-author, "[Indemnity and Insurance: How Directors and Officers Can Enhance Their Protections](#)," Cooley alert, August 15, 2022
- Co-author, "[Using A Professional Employer Organization? Check for Employment Practices Liability Insurance](#)," Cooley alert, April 22, 2021

Education

Fordham University School of Law
JD, 2015

Lafayette College
BA, 2010

Admissions & Credentials

New York

New Jersey

Memberships & Affiliations

Professional Liability Underwriting Society