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Brooke Cucinella

Global Head of Litigation & Regulatory Inquiries, Citadel and Citadel Securities, New York



Brooke Cucinella oversees all litigation and enforcement-related matters for Citadel, Citadel Securities, and their founder, Ken Griffin. Since joining in 2022, she and her team have achieved landmark legal victories, including the dismissal of the claims related to the “meme stock” episodes of 2021 in the 11th Circuit Court of Appeals, and a victory against the US Internal Revenue Service over the leak of Griffin’s personal tax returns. The settlement with the IRS not only resulted in stronger protections for US taxpayers but also led to an unprecedented public apology to Griffin from the IRS. Brooke has used her experience with litigation and disputes to drive and support Citadel’s culture of compliance,

ensuring that its high expectations are informed by a clear and practical understanding of the law and legal requirements. Internally, Brooke is also highly regarded as a principled, thoughtful and experienced resource on substantive issues for investment professionals and internal stakeholders, as well as a motivational manager and collaborative colleague. She demands excellence from external counsel and is committed to mentoring her colleagues by encouraging them to seize opportunities and mentoring them to success. Before her tenure at Citadel, Brooke was a litigation partner at Simpson Thacher and served as a federal prosecutor in the Southern District of New York. Her legal career began at O’Melveny & Myers LLP, following three years with Teach for America in New Orleans and Chicago.

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Kelly Dolan

Strategic Client Coverage, Citadel Securities, New York



Kelly Dolan plays a pivotal role in strengthening Citadel Securities' commercial outcomes by partnering seamlessly with cross-asset sales and trading teams to deliver greater value to the firm's global client base. She is a trusted relationship builder, consistently uncovering opportunities to broaden and deepen engagement with the firm's most strategic clients and forging partnerships in differentiated and innovative ways. A trusted producer for high-priority initiatives, Kelly was a key contributor to client onboarding efforts for the firm's entry into Investment Grade Credit, a milestone launch that expanded Citadel Securities' product capabilities for institutional clients. In 2025, Kelly assumed a foundational role in shaping the newly established Strategic Client Coverage Group (SCCG), which was created to manage the

firm's most critical institutional relationships. SCCG delivers a unified, data-driven client relationship management strategy across business lines, geographies and client segments, including hedge funds, asset managers, insurance companies, banks, sovereign wealth funds and pension plans. She has been instrumental in executing this vision, ensuring that strategic clients receive senior-level access, bespoke insights and differentiated content. Kelly drives internal account planning with discipline and clarity, designing actionable deliverables, leading rigorous gap analyses and overseeing account reviews to benchmark progress. As a central point of contact for these relationships, she actively monitors account progress across asset classes, ensuring the firm stays ahead of client needs and opportunities. Prior to joining Citadel Securities, Kelly built her expertise in relationship management at Nomura. She holds a BA in History from Dartmouth College.