



## LYNN LINCOLN SARKO

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### PRACTICE EMPHASIS

- Antitrust & Trade Regulation
- Appeals
- Class Actions
- Constitutional Law
- Commodities & Futures Contracts
- Consumer Protection
- Data Breach
- Employment Law
- Environmental Litigation
- Employee Benefits & Retirement Security
- Financial Products & Services
- Government & Municipalities
- Institutional Investors
- Intellectual Property
- International Law
- Mass Personal Injury
- Securities & Financial Fraud
- Whistleblower

**Lynn Lincoln Sarko is a master strategist and litigator who leads Keller Rohrback's internationally recognized Complex Litigation Group.** One of the nation's top attorneys in complex litigation, Lynn does not just help clients win—he helps them win what they want. Through smart, efficient strategy and tailored, creative problem solving, Lynn and his team accomplish the best outcomes while minimizing costs and maximizing value.

Lynn's diverse experience enables him to think outside the box to resolve complex cases. He regularly interacts with international business interests, representing sovereign nations and institutional clients seeking to recover investment losses caused by financial fraud and other malfeasance. He is currently involved in several matters involving complex derivatives and specialty investment products. He represents clients with regard to regulatory investigations and issues involving state and federal supervisory agencies and has litigated actions involving several of the nation's largest accounting and investment firms. Lynn is part of the team representing cities and counties across the United States in their fight to hold opioid manufacturers accountable.

Lynn has led the firm's securities and retirement fund practice for over 25 years and regularly serves as lead counsel in multiparty individual and class action cases involving ERISA, antitrust, securities, breach of fiduciary duty and other investment fraud issues. Other law firms seek his assistance as settlement counsel in these and other complex cases because of his reputation as a skilled negotiator. His successes in this area include multimillion dollar settlements in the IKON, Anicom, United Companies Financial Corp., Enron, WorldCom, Global Crossing, Health South, Delphi, Washington Mutual, Countrywide, Lucent, Merrill Lynch, Xerox consolidated securities, pension and retirement plan cases.

In addition, Lynn was appointed to the Plaintiffs' Steering Committee for *In re Chrysler-Dodge-Jeep Ecodiesel Marketing, Sales Practices, and Products Liability Litigation*. Previously, Lynn served as one of the negotiators in the \$15 billion Volkswagen Diesel Emissions Fraud class action settlement for 2.0-liter vehicles, the largest auto-related consumer class action settlement in U.S. history, as well as the subsequent 3.0-liter settlement.

Courts and professional organizations have honored Lynn for his work on financial, fiduciary duty, consumer and numerous other high-profile public cases. After serving as trial counsel in the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill case, which resulted in a \$5 billion punitive damages verdict, Lynn was appointed by the court as Administrator for all funds recovered. He prosecuted the Microsoft civil antitrust case, Vitamin price-fixing cases, the MDL Fen/Phen Diet Drug Litigation, and notable public service lawsuits such as *Erickson v. Bartell Drug Co.*, which established a woman's right to prescription contraceptive health coverage.

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Before joining Keller Rohrback, Lynn was an Assistant United States Attorney for the District of Columbia, Criminal Division, an associate at the Washington, D.C. office of Arnold & Porter, and law clerk to the Honorable Jerome Farris, United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, in Seattle. He has been the managing partner of Keller Rohrback since 1991. Lynn appears in federal courts from coast to coast, maintaining an active national litigation practice. He counsels and represents consumers, employees and businesses who have suffered harm resulting from the improper disclosure of proprietary, personal, health and other protected information.

## EDUCATION

### University of Wisconsin

B.B.A., 1977

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M.B.A., 1978, *Beta Alpha Psi*

### University of Wisconsin

J.D., 1981, *Order of the Coif*; Editor-in-Chief, *Wisconsin Law Review*; Salmon Dalberg Award (outstanding graduate)

## BAR & COURT ADMISSIONS

1981, Wisconsin

1981, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit

1983, District of Columbia

1983, District of Columbia Court of Appeals

1984, United States Supreme Court

1984, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit

1984, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit

1984, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit

1984, U.S. Tax Court

1986, U.S. District Court for the Western District of Washington

1986, Washington

1988, U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Wisconsin

1989, U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Washington

1994, U.S. District Court for the District of Colorado

1996, U.S. District Court for the Western District of Wisconsin

2001, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit

2002, U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan

2003, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit

2003, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit

2004, U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois

2008, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit

2009, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit

2010, U.S. District Court for North Dakota

2013, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit

2016, U.S. District Court for the Central District of Illinois

2016, U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Illinois

International Court of Justice

2018, U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit

2019, Arizona

## HONORS & AWARDS

National Trial Lawyers, *Top 100 Civil Plaintiff Trial Lawyers in Washington 2019*

Listed as Lawdragon 500 Leading Lawyers in America 2018

Fellow of the American Bar Foundation

Super Lawyers List, Washington Law & Politics

Avvo Top Tax Lawyer, Washington CEO Magazine

Trial Lawyer of the Year, Trial Lawyers for Public Justice

Salmon Dalberg Award

## PROFESSIONAL & CIVIC INVOLVEMENT

American Bar Association, *Member*

Bar Association of The District of Columbia, *Member*

Federal Bar Association, *Member*

King County Bar Association, *Member*

State Bar of Wisconsin, *Member*

Trial Lawyers for Public Justice, *Member*

Washington State Bar Association, *Member*

Washington State Trial Lawyers Association, *Member*

American Association for Justice, *Member*

The Association of Trial Lawyers of America, *Member*

American Academy of Trial Counsel, *Fellow*

Editorial Board, *Washington State Securities Law Deskbook*

Fellow, American Bar Foundation

Human Rights Watch Committee

Washington Athletic Club, *Member*

## SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

Thomson/West Webinar, "Stock Drop and Roll: Key Supreme Court Rulings and New Standards in ERISA 'Stock Drop' Cases," July 24, 2014

14th Annual Pension Law, Governance and Solvency Conference, 2013

Canadian Institute's 14th Annual Advanced Forum on Pension Law, Governance and Solvency, 2013

ERISA Litigation & Regulatory Compliance Congress, 2013

American Conference Institute's 6th National Forum on ERISA Litigation, 2013

25th Annual ERISA Litigation Conference, 2012

American Conference Institute's 5th National Forum on ERISA Litigation, 2012