

Bird Marella Announces 2022 Attorney Elevations

Bird Marella is pleased to announce attorney elevations effective January 1, 2022: Fanxi Wang and Oliver Rocos have been elevated to Principals of the firm; Shoshana Bannett has been elevated to Senior Counsel; and Kate Shin has been elevated to Counsel.

Managing Principal Paul Chan affirmed, *"We are proud of the talent in this accomplished group and are confident they will continue to thrive in their new roles. Fanxi, Ollie, Shoshana and Kate have each been, and will each continue to be, invaluable members of our team. We look forward to benefiting from their leadership in years to come."*

Fanxi Wang joined Bird Marella in 2015 as an associate and has focused on high-stakes litigation, contributing to a string of noteworthy client victories. Ms. Wang represents clients in complex civil cases including securities litigation, class actions, and internal and regulatory investigations. She received her J.D. from the University of California, Berkeley School of Law, where she served as a Publishing Editor of the California Law Review.

Fanxi commented, *"I feel very fortunate to have grown as an attorney at Bird Marella and been mentored by colleagues who are not only brilliant but also empathetic. I am tremendously excited to contribute to the firm's future and continue to solve problems and secure victories for our clients."*

Oliver Rocos has been an associate at the firm since 2019 and has played a key role on several winning trial teams. He focuses on prosecuting and defending complex commercial and civil disputes for companies and high-net-worth individuals, as well as securities and class actions. Mr. Rocos has extensive trial experience, having practiced for some time as a barrister in the United Kingdom. His skills have earned him recognition as one of the Best Lawyers in America: Ones to Watch and earned him the American Civil Liberties Union's Humanitarian Award.

Oliver commented, *"I am thrilled and very proud to be joining the partnership at LA's premier litigation boutique and I look forward to building upon our rich history of excellent work and success for many years to come."*

Shoshana Bannett has contributed to many of the firm's highest-profile trial victories. Most recently, she served on trial teams that successfully represented JM Eagle (the world's largest PVC pipe manufacturer) in a billion-dollar FCA suit, and residents suing a famous real estate developer over his unstable and non-compliant hillside Bel Air mansion.

Kate Shin was integral in helping the firm win a complete defense victory for Samsung in a

multimillion-dollar damages trial for breach of contract late last year. Previously, she served on the Bird Marella team that defeated \$100 million in alleged liabilities on behalf of a prominent California bank.

Bird Marella prides itself on hiring top legal talent and fostering an environment where attorneys (even early in their careers) gain hands-on experience as trial lawyers in high-profile and high-stakes matters.

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