



Ariyike Diggs is a trusted and passionate advocate for her clients. With significant experience – more than two decades as a litigator – Ariyike counsels and represents sophisticated, global entities across a range of industries in disputes involving product liability and mass torts, complex commercial transactions, environmental regulations, government investigations, and white collar criminal defense.

No matter the complexity or scope of the litigation at hand, Ariyike works in tandem with clients to create, improve and implement business and litigation best practices for resolving single plaintiff, multidistrict, and even multimillion dollar nationwide disputes. Ariyike is a natural leader, with a strategic mind, who brings a dynamic approach to managing litigation — honed by her years serving as lead outside counsel and outside national coordinating counsel for ExxonMobil Corporation and Honeywell International Inc., respectively.

She acts as lead defense counsel during various stages of pretrial litigation, including court appearances, taking and defending depositions, and working directly with in-house counsel and corporate clients to achieve resolutions aligned with their business objectives.

Currently, Ariyike is a member of the team assisting the Special Compliance Coordinator appointed by the U.S. Department of Commerce in the monitorship of Zhongxing Telecommunications Equipment Corporation, of Shenzhen, China, and ZTE Kangxun Telecommunications Ltd. of Hi-New Shenzhen, China (collectively, ZTE). She serves in a leadership role focused specifically on monitoring ZTE's implementation of an effective export compliance program.

Beyond her practice, Ariyike is an occasional actor, having studied at The New Actors Workshop in New York, and is a tennis player and yoga student.

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EDUCATION

University of Pennsylvania Law School, (LL.M.)

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BAR ADMISSIONS

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LANGUAGES

English

PRACTICES

Environmental

Litigation

Member, Bar Association of the City of New York

Member, National Association of Women Lawyers (NAWL)

Former member, Bar Association of the City of New York's Committee on African Affairs