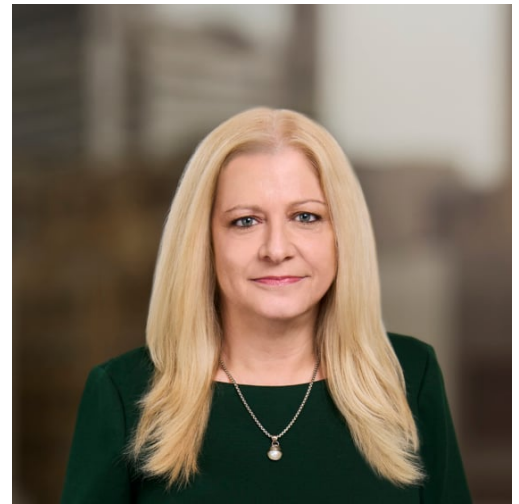


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Brenda Szydlo joined Pomerantz in January 2016 as Of Counsel and was elevated to Partner in 2022. Brenda has deep experience on both sides of the “v,” having represented both plaintiffs and defendants in complex civil litigation in federal and state courts. Her expertise is particularly strong in securities and financial fraud litigation, cases against pharmaceutical companies, accountants’ liability, and commercial litigation.

Brenda has been recognized by *Super Lawyers*® as a “Top-Rated Securities Litigation Attorney” every year since 2020 and as one of the New York Metro Top Women for Securities Litigation in 2024. She has been included among *Lawdragon*’s 500 Leading Plaintiff Financial Lawyers every year since 2022, including most recently in 2026.

Brenda played a pivotal role in the historic securities class action case against Brazil’s largest oil company, Petrobras, in which Pomerantz served as sole Lead Counsel. This case stemmed from a multi-billion-dollar kickback and bribery scheme. Brenda’s contribution to the litigation helped the Firm secure both a groundbreaking legal ruling and an unprecedented \$3 billion settlement for the Class of defrauded investors.

The Petrobras settlement was not only the largest securities class action settlement in a decade and the largest ever involving a foreign issuer, but it remains the fifth-largest securities class action settlement in U.S. history, the largest achieved by a foreign Lead Plaintiff, and the largest settlement not involving a restatement of financial reports.

EDUCATION

- St. John’s University School of Law
 - Juris Doctorate
 - St. Thomas More scholar
- Binghamton University
 - Bachelors of Arts in Economics
 - Member of the Law Review

ADMISSIONS

- New York
- United States District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York
- U.S. Courts of Appeals for the Second, Third, and Ninth Circuits
- United States Supreme Court

Brenda has successfully represented investors in numerous other class and private actions, achieving substantial recoveries for the Class in the process, including \$486 million in *In re Pfizer, Inc. Securities Litigation* and over \$407 million in *In re Refco, Inc. Securities Litigation*. Brenda has also represented investors in opt-out securities actions, such as investors opting out of *In re Bank of America Corp. Securities, Derivative & ERISA Litigation*.

Before joining Pomerantz, Brenda was a Senior Counsel at a leading plaintiffs' advocacy firm, specializing in securities litigation. Additionally, she served as Counsel in the litigation department of one of the world's largest defense law firms, focusing on defending individuals and corporations in securities litigation, enforcement actions, accountants' liability cases, and commercial litigation.

Notable Cases

PETROBRAS

Pomerantz achieves \$3 billion settlement for investors in historic Petrobras class action suit After nearly three years of hard-fought litigation, including an appeal...

IN RE PFIZER, INC. SECURITIES LITIGATION

IN RE REFCO, INC. SECURITIES LITIGATION

CHAMBLEE V. TERRAFORM POWER, INC.

Publications

- “Q&A with Partner Brenda Szydlo,” *The Pomerantz Monitor*, Vol. 22, Issue 3, May/June 2025
- “Lawyer Limelight: Brenda Szydlo,” *Lawdragon*, November 11, 2022

Accolades

- *Super Lawyers*® Top-Rated Securities Litigation Attorney (2020-2025)
- *Lawdragon 500* Leading Plaintiff Financial Lawyers (2022-2026)
- *Super Lawyers*® New York Metro Top Women in Securities Litigation (2024)