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As an associate in Carter Ledyard's Litigation and Dispute Resolution practice and member of the Firm's Hemp & CBD and Cybersecurity and Data Privacy groups, I represent a broad array of clients hailing from a variety of jurisdictions and industries, each with their own distinct set of concerns and goals. I take a collaborative and tailored approach to representing and advising my clients, always focusing on each client's specific needs, risks, and goals.

Representing U.S.-based and international clients in both state and federal courts, litigator Sarah Ganley advises clients in a variety of complex litigation matters, including general commercial disputes, securities and civil RICO litigation, trusts and estates litigation, website accessibility litigation, and intellectual property litigation, among others. She also has experience representing clients in U.S.-based and international arbitrations. As an experienced litigator familiar with all stages of civil litigation and dispute proceedings, Sarah contributes her broad expertise and creative problem-solving skills to a team of seasoned litigators and advisors who work tirelessly to advance their clients' goals.

Outside of litigation, Sarah advises clients in data security and privacy matters, helping them develop, strengthen, test, and enforce their information protection policies and procedures. She guides them through the ever-changing regulatory body including the EU's General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and consults on the myriad state regulations and how such regulations may impact her clients'

goals and needs. Sarah is also a member of the Firm's Cannabis, Hemp & CBD Industry Group and co-authors a regular column on cannabis law with Carter Ledyard partner and Co-Chair of the Cannabis, Hemp & CBD Industry Group, Alexander G. Malyshev.

## Publications

- [Florida's CHOICE Act Reshapes the Rules on Noncompetes and Garden Leave Agreements](#), *Client Advisory*, June 16, 2025.
- [Federal court dismisses challenge to cannabis prohibition: analyzing Canna Provisions case](#), *Westlaw Today*, July 10, 2024.
- [DEA's historic move to reschedule cannabis is no panacea](#), *Thomson Reuters*, May 14, 2024.
- [What would passage of the SAFER Banking Act mean in 2024?](#), *Westlaw Today*, March 13, 2024.
- [With 2023 in rearview mirror, what should the cannabis industry expect in 2024?](#), *Thomson Reuters*, January 9, 2024.
- [Emerging trends in cannabis litigation: 2023 update](#), *Thomson Reuters*, May 9, 2023.
- [Weeding out gray market cannabis operators presents special challenges for states](#), *Thomson Reuters*, May 8, 2023.
- [Cannabis industry looks ahead to 2023 after facing challenges in 2022](#), *Thomson Reuters*, January 19, 2023.
- [Opening Pandora's box: what rescheduling cannabis would mean for the industry](#), *Thomson Reuters*, November 11, 2022.
- [Constitutional considerations for a federally illegal cannabis industry](#), *Thomson Reuters*, September 14, 2022.
- [The Biden Administration's Executive Order on EU-U.S. Data Transfer Framework: What's Next?](#), *Client Advisory*, October 26, 2022.
- [One year later: adult use legalization in the Northeast](#), *Thomson Reuters*, May 3, 2022.
- [Five cannabis trends to watch in 2022](#), *Thomson Reuters*, January 13, 2022.
- [Reading the tea leaves: What might federal legalization of marijuana look like?](#), *Thomson Reuters*, November 15, 2021.
- [EU-US Transfers of Personal Data in the Wake of the Schrems II Ruling](#), *Client Advisory*, April 22, 2021.
- [The Defend Trade Secrets Act: 2020 in Review](#), *Client Advisory*, April 2, 2021.

## Practices

Litigation and Disputes  
White-Collar and Criminal Defense  
Cybersecurity and Data Privacy

## Admissions

### Bar Admissions

New York

### Court Admissions

U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York  
U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York

## Education

Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law (JD, *magna cum laude*, 2017)

- Order of the Coif
- Dr. Samuel Belkin Award
- Public Service Scholars
- Dean's Distinguished Scholars
- Executive Editor, *Cardozo Law Review*

Smith College (BA, *magna cum laude*, 2009)

- Phi Beta Kappa
- First Group Scholars
- Dean's List

## **Awards/Honors**

Super Lawyers® – "Rising Stars," 2023-2024  
Empire State Counsel, 2018