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Maria-Laura Coltre is an associate in the Business Trial Practice Group in the firm's Washington, D.C. office.

Areas of Practice

Maria-Laura represents clients in complex commercial disputes, including litigating claims for breach of contract, breach of fiduciary duty, fraud, and tort claims. She represents clients before various state and federal courts, domestic and international arbitral bodies, and federal and state agencies. Maria-Laura's practice involves a range of industries, including healthcare, telecommunications, technology services, and financial services.

Maria-Laura also enjoys working with and representing her pro bono clients. Her work focuses on helping victims of human trafficking moving through the United States immigration system.

In addition to her practice, Maria-Laura is an active member of the firm's Women's Law Group and enjoys supporting the firm's recruiting activities.

Experience

- Won a trial and appellate victory in the Middle District of Florida and Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals on behalf of provider of online learning programs (Stride, Inc.), defeating all of the trademark infringement, false advertising, breach of contract, and unfair competition claims (for multi-billion dollars) of Stride's public agency competitor, and affirming that victory "across the board" on appeal. *Fla. Virtual School v. K12, Inc.*, No. 6:20-CV-2354-GAP-EJK, 2024 WL 22039 (M.D. Fla. Jan. 2, 2024), *aff'd* No. 24-10449, 2026 WL 127063 (11th Cir. Jan. 15, 2026).

Articles

- Supreme Court takes on FCC's taxing power. A game-changer for telecom?
Daily Journal, 12.27.2024

Media Mentions

11th Cir.: Appeals court denies revival of Florida Virtual School's trademark infringement case
Wolters Kluwer VitalLaw, 01.21.2026

11th Circuit affirms defense TM verdict; evidence of confusion is not evidence of harm for disgorgement
Rebecca Tushnet's 43(B)log, 01.19.2026

11th Circ. Won't Revive Fla. Remote School TM Suit
Law360, 01.16.2026

'Florida Online School' Trademark Validated by Eleventh Circuit
Bloomberg Law, 01.15.2026

Practices

Alternative Dispute Resolution

Appellate

Litigation

Industries

Healthcare

Telecom

Education

J.D., University of Illinois College of Law, 2017, *cum laude*

B.A., College of William and Mary, 2014

Admissions

District of Columbia

New York

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

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

Virginia

U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia