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Emmett is an Associate in Wiggin and Dana's Litigation Department and a member of the firm's Appellate, Antitrust, and White Collar Practice Groups. Emmett's practice focuses on high-stakes appeals, multidistrict antitrust cases, and complex commercial litigation.

As a litigation associate, Emmett has been instrumental in successfully defending a nine-figure damages award on behalf of a foreign ambassador, obtaining an eight-figure judgment under the Connecticut Uniform Securities Act for a defrauded investor, and preserving a summary judgment ruling in favor of a major university in a tuition refund class action arising from the COVID-19 pandemic. Emmett has also taken a lead role in representing a large generic pharmaceutical company and several real estate brokerage firms in nationwide antitrust litigation.

Emmett maintains an active *pro bono* practice. Working closely with a partner at the firm, Emmett convinced the government not to prosecute a Criminal Justice Act client initially charged with being an accessory after the fact to a gang-related murder. Emmett also serves as *pro bono* counsel to a religious organization serving Jewish students at a liberal arts college.

Prior to joining Wiggin and Dana, Emmett served as a law clerk to the Honorable William J. Nardini of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit and the Honorable Jeffrey A. Meyer of the U.S. District Court for the District of Connecticut.

Emmett received his J.D. from Yale Law School, where he cofounded the [Free Exercise Clinic](#) and coauthored two amicus briefs in religious liberty cases before the U.S. Supreme Court. Emmett received his B.A. in Classics and Comparative Literature *magna cum laude* and *Phi Beta Kappa* from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, where he was a Morehead-Cain Scholar. Emmett was also captain of the Men's Rowing Team and an Academic All-American.

Education

- Yale Law School (J.D., 2020)

- University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill (B.A., 2013)
 - magna cum laude
 - Phi Beta Kappa
 - Morehead-Cain Scholar

Bar Admissions

- Connecticut

Court Admissions

- US Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit
- US District Court (District of Connecticut)
- US Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit
- US Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit

Publications

April 7, 2025

Supreme Court Update: City and County of San Francisco v. EPA (No. 23-753)

March 5, 2025

Supreme Court Update: Wisconsin Bell, Inc. v. United States ex rel. Heath (No. 23-1127)

April 4, 2024

Staying in Commission: Guidance for Real Estate Companies Facing Potential Antitrust Litigation

July 7, 2023

Supreme Court Update: Biden v. Nebraska (No. 22-506), Department of Education v. Brown (No. 22-535), United States v. Texas (No. 22-58)

July 6, 2023

Supreme Court Update: Samia v. United States (No. 22-196), Abitron Austria GmbH v. Hetronic International, Inc. (No. 21-1043), United States v. Hansen (No. 22-179), Jones v. Hendrix (No. 21-857)

May 23, 2023

Supreme Court Update: Andy Warhol Foundation v. Goldsmith (No. 21-869), Twitter v. Taamneh (No. 21-1496), Gonzalez v. Google (No. 21-1333), Amgen v. Sanofi (No. 21-757), Ohio Adjutant General's Department v. Federal Labor Relations Authority (No. 21-1454), Polselli v. Internal Revenue Service (No. 21-1599)

April 21, 2023

Supreme Court Update: Axon Enterprise, Inc. v. Federal Trade Commission (No. 21-86), Turkiye Halk Bankasi, A.S. v. United States (No. 21-1450), MOAC Mall Holdings, LLC v. Transform Holdco LLC (No. 21-1270), New York v. New Jersey (No. 156, Orig.), Reed v. Goertz (No. 21-442)

February 24, 2023

Supreme Court Update: Cruz v. Arizona (No. 21-846), Helix Energy Solutions Group v. Hewitt (No. 21-984), and Bartenwerfer v. Buckley (No. 21-908)

January 27, 2023

Supreme Court Update: Arellano v. McDonough