

Committee on Energy and Commerce
U.S. House of Representatives
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1. Your Name: Dana Syracuse		
2. Your Title: Counsel, BuckleySandler LLP		
3. The Entity(ies) You are Representing: None		
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Dana V. Syracuse

Counsel

Biography

Dana V. Syracuse is Counsel in the New York office of BuckleySandler LLP. His practice focuses on regulatory, compliance, and enforcement issues surrounding digital commerce, virtual currencies, payments, money transmitters, marketplace lending, and privacy and data risk. He is also experienced in matters involving anti-money laundering, Bank Secrecy Act, and Know-Your-Customer matters, and sanctions monitoring programs for international financial services clients. Mr. Syracuse's experience with FinTech issues positions him as valuable resource for companies in an increasingly digital business environment.

Prior to joining BuckleySandler, Mr. Syracuse served as Associate General Counsel in the New York Department of Financial Services (NYDFS). While at the NYDFS, Syracuse helped oversee the Department's strategy regarding emerging payment systems, virtual currency, and blockchain technology, the drafting of New York State's BitLicense virtual currency regulation, and the chartering of New York State based virtual currency exchanges. He also worked extensively with other states, through organizations such as the Conference of State Bank Supervisors, on the development of state and federal regulations and standards governing cybersecurity, money transmitters, emerging payment systems, and virtual currency market participants. Mr. Syracuse helped develop the NYDFS strategy for the review of cyber security standards of its regulated institutions, oversaw the revamp of the NYDFS cyber security examination process, helped implement targeted risk assessments of its regulated institutions' cyber preparedness, and took steps to assess the cyber security risks presented to the banking and insurance industries and those posed by third-party vendors. Before joining the NYDFS, Mr. Syracuse served as Assistant Attorney General, Taxpayer Protection Division, in the Office of the New York State Attorney General.

Mr. Syracuse is a frequent speaker on banking regulation issues, cybersecurity, emerging payment systems, blockchain technology, virtual currency regulation, and the New York False Claims Act. He received his J.D. from Brooklyn Law School and his B.S. from New York University.

Knowledge & Insights

- Special Alert: CFPB Enters into First Consent Order with Online Payment Platform for Misrepresenting Data Security Practices
March 3, 2016

In The News

Dana Syracuse Quoted in American Banker Article, "Banks Still 'Scared' of Cryptocurrency Even as Feds Bless It"

American Banker, March 3, 2016

Margo Tank, Amy Kim, and Dana Syracuse Quoted in PaymentsCompliance Article, "The Great Balancing Act: Payments Regulation Today"

PaymentsCompliance, February 4, 2016

New York Department of Financial Services Attorney Joins BuckleySandler LLP
January 27, 2016

Speaking Engagements & Events

Card Forum & Expo Innovation in Payments: Challenges, Opportunities & Considerations - How Online Lenders And Blockchain Are Changing Our Business

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Economic and Trade
Sanctions

Digital Commerce

Financial Crimes

Government Enforcement

Money Transmitters & Money
Services Businesses

Payments

Privacy, Cyber Risk & Data
Security

Virtual Currencies

EDUCATION

B.S., New York University

J.D., Brooklyn Law School

ADMISSIONS

New York

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

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

April 13, 2016

Cato Institute Digital Currency Technology and Policy Implications: Cryptocurrency - The Policy Challenges of a Decentralized Revolution

April 12, 2016

American Bar Association Digital Currency and Blockchain Technology National Institute: Consumer Protection and State Licensing

April 1, 2016

DC Blockchain Summit 2016: Consumer Protections - Balancing Thoughtful Regulations Without Stifling Innovation

March 3, 2016

Conference of Western Attorneys General: How is the U.S. Government Regulating Digital Currencies?

February 5, 2016

Regulatory Challenges and Today's Operational Risks: Understanding the Legal Framework for Blockchain Technologies

December 10, 2015

Smart City – Cyber Security and Data Privacy Considerations

November 17, 2015

Money20/20: Bitcoin Regulatory Challenges & The State Licensing Approaches in California & New York

October 25, 2015

Money20/20: Data Breach Liability & Notifications: Bank, Merchant & Regulatory Perspectives

October 25, 2015

PayThink 2015: Forecasting the Role of Prepaid Strategies in Tomorrow's Markets

September 29, 2015

Association of International Bank Auditors Quarterly Meeting: Virtual Currency Regulation and Blockchain

September 10, 2015

Canadian Parliamentary Committee on Banking, Trade and Commerce: Testimony on Cyber-Security and the Regulation of Virtual Currency

February 1, 2014

New York Department of Financial Services Public Hearing on Virtual Currencies and Potential Issuance of a 'Bit License'

January 11, 2014

NYSBA Commercial & Federal Litigation Section Spring 2013 Meeting: Blowing the Whistle on Commercial Fraud

May 1, 2013

Internal OAG Training: Fighting Fraud Against State and Local Governments the New York False Claims Act for AAGs

February 1, 2013

NYSBA: Litigating New York State False Claims Act Cases

October 29, 2012

New York City Bar Association Ethics CLE: Don't Break the Rules

June 6, 2012

NYSBA Commercial & Federal Litigation Section Spring 2012: Your Path Through the Court to the Bench

May 18, 2012

New York County Lawyers' Association: The New York State False Claims Act

May 1, 2012

Successful Qui Tam Partnerships with the N.Y. Attorney General's Office

June 8, 2011