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Sheila is an experienced life science-focused transactional, corporate and contracts attorney with a broad legal and business background. Her 25-year legal career, encompassing both in-house as well as large law firm experience, combined with her previous business experience focused on finance and treasury management, enable Sheila to provide legal expertise to her clients grounded in both legal and business perspectives.

Sheila is a trusted and responsive business partner and leader. Her clients appreciate her pragmatic and business-oriented advice and her collaborative approach. Her practice focuses on commercial contracts and business transactions, including a wide array of licensing, collaboration transactions, product and site acquisitions, supply, distribution and manufacturing agreements, and clinical services agreements.

Sheila's 17 years of in-house counsel experience was primarily in the pharmaceutical/life sciences / healthcare industry, most recently as the Head of US Legal Operations at Sanofi. Her range of experience included providing legal support for licensing, M&A, business development, procurement, manufacture and supply agreements, commercial contracts and corporate governance. She also wrote policies, negotiated venture capital investment agreements, alliance management, securities, and handled real estate matters. She has experience with advising on promotional review for commercialized brand support.

During Sheila's BigLaw tenure, spanning 5 years, she advised varied clients in multiple areas, including contracts, financing, securities transactions, and other strategic matters. Her clients included many smaller, emerging biotech and life sciences companies.

Sheila has a strong finance background with an MBA and years in the telecommunications industry, in corporate treasury and in operations.



Previous Positions:

Sanofi & Aventis Pharmaceuticals Bridgewater, NJ 2001-2018

K&L Gates

formerly Kennedy, Covington, Lobdell & Hickman Charlotte, NC 1999-2001

Morgan Lewis & Bockius Philadelphia, PA 1996-1999

Bar Admissions:

Sheila is admitted as a lawyer in New Hampshire, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and North Carolina.

Education:

JD, Rutgers School of Law **MBA** University of Delaware **BS** Penn State University