

**For new Bernstein Litowitz partner, a chance to address #MeToo through litigation** (*as originally published by "The Daily Docket" a newsletter by Reuters and Westlaw*)

Back in college, **Rebecca Boon** knew she wanted to devote herself to social justice issues. She just didn't expect to do that as a securities litigator.

Boon, 38, at **Vassar College** had focused on women's studies and initially planned after law school to work for a nonprofit in the social justice sector. Instead, after graduating from **Hofstra University School of Law**, she joined **Shearman & Sterling**, where she discovered securities litigation.

She flipped to representing plaintiffs when she joined New York's **Bernstein Litowitz Berger & Grossmann** in 2011. There, she has helped pursue groundbreaking investor lawsuits related to sexual harassment and #MeToo corporate scandals.

Those cases included one brought derivatively on behalf of **Twenty-First Century Fox** arising from the sexual harassment scandals at Fox News. A [\\$90 million settlement in 2017](#) included what she called the unprecedented creation of an independent oversight council to address problems at Fox News.

More recently, Boon in March [helped secure a \\$240 million class action settlement](#) resolving claims that **Signet Jewelers** concealed sexual harassment allegations against executives. Boon, who made partner last year, said the cases have allowed her career to come full circle.

"To be able to advocate on behalf of our investor clients while also addressing these kinds of social ills that our country is faced with currently is really, frankly, my life's dream," she said.