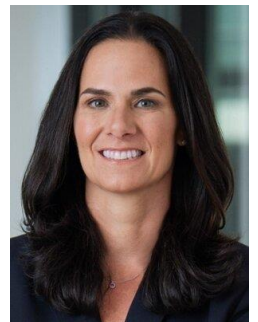


Longtime EDNY AUSA Joins Bracewell In New York

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Law360 (May 23, 2024, 4:43 PM EDT) -- Bracewell LLP announced that the former chief of the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of New York's Long Island district joined the firm's government enforcement and investigations practice as a partner.

Nicole Boeckmann joined Bracewell's New York office Wednesday after spending the last 20 years working at the Eastern District. She told Law360 on Thursday that she was drawn to the firm because of its strong reputation, adding that the presence of a number of former colleagues also led her to choose Bracewell as her first foray into private practice.



Nicole Boeckmann

"Bracewell has a stellar reputation in the Eastern District of New York and, in fact, throughout the Department of Justice," Boeckmann said. "That is so critical to client success. Let's not forget the opportunity to be part of a growing team and work alongside my former colleagues Seth DuCharme and Judge Roslynn R. Mauskopf, as well as the iconic Judge Barbara Jones; that really sealed my decision to join Bracewell."

Boeckmann said that her practice at Bracewell will focus on working with companies and individuals on white collar investigations involving both criminal and civil crimes such as fraud, corruption and embezzlement. She added that national security will be another aspect of her work going forward.

"Nicole brings true insights into how investigations are changing in the EDNY and at the Department of Justice across the nation," DuCharme said in a statement. "As companies increasingly become more proactive in mitigating the risk of potential government investigations, Nicole's experience will prove invaluable to our clients. I'm pleased that she has chosen Bracewell and look forward to working closely with her once again."

Boeckmann, who graduated from Catholic University of America's Columbus School of Law, spent her entire career working in public service before joining Bracewell, spending seven years as an assistant district attorney at the New York County District Attorney's Office before joining the Eastern District, according to her LinkedIn page.

"Working in public service provided a unique platform to advocate for the public interest and engage directly with the community," Boeckmann said. "What I enjoyed most about that experience was the opportunity to work on a broad range of challenging cases, which required both rigorous legal strategy and a deep understanding of the human elements at play. The sense of purpose and the opportunity to

contribute to the public good were profoundly fulfilling, shaping me not only as a lawyer but as a citizen committed to service."

During her time with the Eastern District, Boeckmann most recently led a team of over 60 employees, including 25 assistant U.S. attorneys, Bracewell said. She added that during that time, she served as lead attorney on over 30 jury trials, citing the corruption trial of former DA Thomas Spota as one highlight.

"Handling a high-stakes litigation matter following an extensive investigation will position me well to provide outstanding individual representation to my clients," Boeckmann said. "Knowing how to build and prosecute a case is critical to assisting clients navigate the justice system from the other side."

Earlier this year, Bracewell grew its energy practice with the March hire of transactional attorney Parker A. Lee in New York and in Dallas, tax partner J. Dean Hinderliter joined the firm around the same time.

Bracewell has over 300 attorneys across its 10 office locations in Connecticut, New York, Texas, Washington, Washington, D.C., London and Dubai, according to the firm's website.

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