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Anita Bandy leads Skadden's Securities Enforcement and Regulation Practice, having previously spent nearly two decades in the Enforcement Division of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), where she served in senior leadership roles.

Ms. Bandy advises some of the world's largest public and private companies and their boards and senior executives — including asset managers, other financial services firms and accounting firms — on their most significant matters involving the SEC, other financial regulators and the U.S. Department of Justice. She secures highly successful outcomes for clients in investigations through her deep understanding of the SEC's legal, policy and procedural frameworks, including by persuading the SEC to not bring charges or by securing resolutions on favorable terms.

Ms. Bandy is recognized as a leading authority on SEC investigations focused on public company financial reporting, accounting, disclosure and internal controls, insider trading, auditing standards and the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act. She conducts internal investigations for boards and companies across a variety of industries, and counsels on compliance and risk management strategies and disclosure obligations in connection with corporate transactions.

In recognition of her work, Ms. Bandy has been named to *Chambers USA* and *The Best Lawyers in America*, honored as one of *Lawdragon's* 500 Leading Lawyers in America, 500 Leading Global Litigators and 500 Leading Litigators in America, and selected as one of *Securities Docket's* Enforcement Elite, a collection of "the best securities enforcement defense lawyers in the business." In 2024, she was elected as a fellow of the American College of Governance Counsel.

Prior to joining Skadden, Ms. Bandy served for 17 years with the SEC's Enforcement Division, where she supervised, investigated and brought actions that covered the entire breadth of the SEC's enforcement authority. She held a number of senior leadership roles, including associate director in the division's Washington, D.C. headquarters, where she supervised a large staff of attorneys, market specialists and supervisors on a wide array of enforcement matters.

Ms. Bandy is a frequent speaker and writer on SEC enforcement developments, corporate wrongdoing, government investigations, compliance and anti-corruption, and has been a guest lecturer on the topic of securities law at several prestigious law schools around the country.