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Aaron Mills Scott is an experienced trial attorney with a track record of success in a wide range of complex litigation matters.

His practice centers on disputes arising from complex contracts, including loans, leasing agreements and other commercial transactions as well as trademark and brand protection matters and defamation claims.

He also regularly represents clients in employment litigation, including the defense of a wide range of employment-related claims, as well as advice and counseling of employers to avoid litigation and to manage and resolve issues.

Aaron is also a member of Fox Rothschild's Law Firm Defense & Risk Management Practice which handles matters involving attorney discipline, professional responsibility and ethics, as well as disputes involving lawyers and law firms.

Aaron has extensive experience in taking and defending depositions, motion practice and mediations. In trials, he has taken leading roles trying cases to successful verdict or decision. He has also briefed and argued cases before state and federal appellate courts.

## Services

- Litigation
- Labor & Employment
- Financial Services Industry
- Law Firm Defense & Risk Management

## Representative Matters

- ***The Peoples Bank, Biloxi, Mississippi v. Potts, et al.*** — Represented a lender suing loan guarantors for breach of contract. Took and defended depositions, handled mediation and briefed and argued summary judgment motion. Prevailed on summary judgment.
- Represented numerous employers in defending claims in state and federal courts and in a variety of administrative proceedings.
- ***Inquiry into the Conduct of the Honorable Alan F. Pendleton*** — Represented the Minnesota Board on Judicial Standards in contested hearing before a three-member panel and on appeal to the Minnesota Supreme Court in connection with a charge brought by the Board against a state district court judge. In a published opinion, the Minnesota Supreme Court ordered the judge removed from office.

- **Genesys Software Systems, Inc. v. Ceridian Corporation et al.** — Defended copyright infringement and related claims asserted against a series of corporate and individual defendants. Obtained dismissal of all claims on dispositive motions in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Georgia.
- **Brown v. King, et al.** — Represented lender pursuing recovery on two defaulted promissory notes. Successfully pierced corporate veil of debtor entity on summary judgment, obtaining personal judgments against the entity's sole member and president.
- **TCF Bank v. Segal Wholesale, Inc., et al.** — Represented lender in pursuing breach of contract claims against loan borrower and guarantors. Prevailed at trial, obtaining judgment for all amounts sought and award of attorney fees and costs.
- **Comfort Attiogbe-Tay v. SE Rolling Hills, LLC** — Represented a skilled nursing facility in defending claims under the Minnesota Human Rights Act, ADA and FMLA. Took and defended depositions, briefed and argued summary judgment motion. Prevailed on summary judgment.
- **BP Group, Inc. v. Kloeber, et al.** — Represented a plaintiff suing a lessee under a lease agreement, as well as individual guarantors. Took and defended depositions, briefed and argued summary judgment motion. Prevailed on summary judgment. Briefed and argued before U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit and judgment substantially affirmed.
- **Ivy Tower Litigation** — Represented a lender in several related matters, both as plaintiff suing for judgment and seeking foreclosure of commercial property and as the defendant on claims by borrowers, guarantors, general contractors and third parties. Took depositions, briefed and argued motions. Served as co-counsel in two successful trials, one to a jury and one bench trial.
- **Paulownia Plantations de Panama Corp. v. Rajamannan, et al.** — Represented individual and corporate defendants against claims for breach of contract, fraud and other torts stemming from a failed operation growing Paulownia trees in Panama. Successfully obtained dismissal for *forum non conveniens* in Anoka County District Court. Reversed by the Minnesota Court of Appeals. Successfully petitioned for further review and briefed and prevailed before the Minnesota Supreme Court.

## Before Fox Rothschild

Prior to joining Fox, Aaron was a partner at Oppenheimer Wolff & Donnelly LLP.

## Beyond Fox Rothschild

Aaron commutes to work every day by bicycle and recently wrote an article for The Hennepin Lawyer headlined "A Lawyer in the Bike Lane." He devotes substantial time each year to pro bono legal representation, concentrated in the areas of employment litigation, defamation and First Amendment issues.

## Bar Admissions

- Minnesota
- Wisconsin
- California

## Court Admissions

- U.S. Court of Appeals, Fourth Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Eighth Circuit
- U.S. District Court, District of Minnesota
- U.S. District Court, Western District of Wisconsin

## Education

- University of Minnesota Law School (J.D., *magna cum laude*, 2004)
- University of Wisconsin-Madison (B.A.)
  - History, English and Political Science

## Honors & Awards

- Named to the list of "Super Lawyers" for Business Litigation in Minnesota (2019-2022)\*

- Named a “North Star Lawyer” by the Minnesota State Bar Association for pro bono work (2013 and 2014)
- Named to the list "Super Lawyers Rising Stars" for Business Litigation in Minnesota (2015-2018)\*
- Recipient, Oppenheimer Pro Bono Award (2005)

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