



# Shafkat Rakib

Associate

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## My Approach

I'm the kind of lawyer who refuses to give up. No matter the obstacles in my path, I'll persevere and strive to create a solution. Although it's in my nature to be tenacious in my work, I always aim to make my clients feel at ease by listening carefully to their feedback and maintaining a very calm, relaxed presence.

## Overview

Bringing valuable insurance recovery experience to his practice, Shafkat Rakib represents prominent clients as policyholders in a range of industries, including prescription drug distribution, financial services, municipalities, media, amusement parks, and luxury car rentals. He advises these diverse organizations in cases stemming from several types of policies, including directors and officers, commercial general liability, and all-risk property.

As a member of various legal teams, Shafkat has worked on significant and high-profile cases, including one involving a Fortune 50 company seeking insurance coverage for underlying opioid epidemic litigation under CGL policies. He completed a large-scale electronic document review in a case for a private equity firm seeking coverage under D&O policies. He also conducted research for a summary judgment motion seeking business interruption coverage for COVID-related losses under an all-risk property policy.

Shafkat enjoys the unique facts and nuances and the intellectual challenges that each case brings, and he also appreciates the diversity of the insurance recovery client base. Drawing on his strong facility to focus intently, he tailors his approach precisely to the particular circumstances of each matter.

Shafkat's habit of paying keen attention to detail helped him attain a position as a Senior Articles Editor of the *Cardozo Law Review*. During law school, he served as a legal intern for The Legal Aid Society, Criminal Trial Division and for the U.S. District Court, Southern District of NY, under Judge Lorna G. Schofield, where he tackled a range of issues and honed his abilities to write concisely and persuasively. Prior to law school, Shafkat worked at two global firms, one based in New York and the other headquartered in London.

## Education

Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law (JD, , )

Senior Articles Editor, Cardozo Law Review (2019-2020)

Executive Board, Cardozo Law Review (2019-2020)

Co-Chair, Equity and Inclusion Committee, Cardozo Law Review (2019-2020)

Diversity Fellow, Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law (2019-2020)

State University of New York, Stony Brook (BS, , )

President, Iota Nu Delta Fraternity Inc., Stony Brook Chapter

## Admissions

### Bar Admissions

New York