

# Kamanta C. Kettle

COUNSEL

Kamanta advises clients on trademark law in a broad range of civil actions.



#### **Practices**

Trademark

## **Education**

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Kamanta regularly advises clients on how to best protect and leverage their trademarks and other intellectual property assets. As an advisor to clients in the media, technology, fashion, beauty, pharmaceutical and consumer packaged goods industries, Kamanta uses her skill and experience in the areas of trademark law, copyright law and complex litigation to assist clients in establishing, protecting, defending and broadening their rights in various brand assets, leveraging her experience with trademarks, copyrights, internet domains, social media, and new technology.

As an experienced litigator, Kamanta is no stranger to contested disputes. In addition to litigating complex commercial disputes in multiple state and federal jurisdictions, she has litigated trademark and copyright disputes before courts in the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York, achieving valuable settlements on behalf of her clients.

Kamanta is a member of the International Trademark Association (INTA) and formerly served on INTA's Right of Publicity Committee. She is also a member of the Copyright Society of the U.S.A. and a former member of the Fashion Law Committee of the New York State Bar Association's Entertainment, Arts & Sports Law Section.

## **Client Work**

- Successfully Requested Reconsideration of Final USPTO Refusal on behalf of luxury perfume brand.
- Successfully defended software development company in copyright and trade secret litigation brought by software programmer.
- Successfully litigated trademark infringement action on behalf of Ukrainian clothing brand.
- Defended esports competition organizer against claims of trademark infringement brought by former NBA athlete.

## **Publications, Presentations & Recognitions**

#### **Publications**

- "Appeals court gives the slip to functionality doctrines in banana suit infringement case," Fashion United (Sep. 2019)
- "Fashion Wars: Protecting Trends From Ubiquity in U.S. Courts," The Federal Lawyer (May/Jun. 2019)
- "Fourth Circuit Affirms Bank's Good Faith Defense To Fraudulent Transfer Claim," Hughes Hubbard & Reed LLP Bankruptcy Blog (May 2014)

## Recognitions

- Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch, Intellectual Property Law (2024)
- National Black Lawyers: Top 40 Under 40 (2019)

## **Boards, Memberships & Certifications**

#### **Boards**

- New York University Opportunity Programs Alumni Association Advisory Board, Co-Chair (2020-present)
- Alliance for Lupus Research, Young Leaders Board (2014)

## Memberships

- International Trademark Association, Right of Publicity Committee (2020-2021)
- Copyright Society of the U.S.A., Planning Committee Member (2014)

## Life Beyond the Law

Outside of work, Kamanta enjoys crafting, watching horror films, and reading shelter magazines and interior design blogs, and spending time with her family.

## **Bar Admissions**

New York

## **Court Admissions**

US District Court, Eastern District of New York
US District Court, Southern District of New York