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Overview

Namita Shah, chair of Day Pitney's Private Equity and Finance business unit, practices in the area of public and private finance. Namita serves as the primary attorney in Day Pitney's roles as Lead Bond Counsel and Lead Disclosure Counsel for the State of Connecticut. She has acted as bond counsel, disclosure counsel, borrower's counsel, underwriter's counsel and trustee's counsel on general obligation, special revenue and conduit financings throughout the region. She has extensive experience with general state and municipal law as well as laws relating to state agencies and authorities. She frequently drafts state legislation on a range of matters, including the authorization of economic recovery notes and GAAP deficit bonds as well as state legislation to ensure compliance with new federal requirements and regulations. Her institutional finance and commercial lending work includes secured and unsecured bank lending, asset-backed structured financing and private placements of secured and unsecured senior and mezzanine debt.

Namita is a member of the firm's Executive Board, Diversity and Inclusion Committee and leadership team for Day Pitney Diverse Attorneys.

Experience

Representation of the State of Connecticut as bond counsel, disclosure counsel and lead counsel in numerous bond issuances

Served as lead bond counsel and lead disclosure counsel in the State of Connecticut's largest bond sale in its history, almost \$2.3 billion State of Connecticut Taxable General Obligation Bonds (Teachers' Retirement Fund 2008 Series A - Current Interest Bonds) (Teachers' Retirement Fund 2008 Series B - Capital Appreciation Bonds). The bonds were marketed in the United States and Europe, and were listed on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange. A special website was established for investors

Served as lead bond counsel in the State of Connecticut's first issue of Social Bonds, \$300 million State of Connecticut General Obligation Bonds (2021 Series B) (Social Bonds)

Served as lead bond counsel in the State of Connecticut's first issue of Green Bonds, \$60,000,000 State of Connecticut General Obligation Bonds (Green Bonds, 2014 Series G)

Served as bond counsel on each series of revenue bonds issued by the Connecticut Health and Educational Facilities Authority for the Connecticut

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State University System. Each issue was secured by a state supported special capital reserve fund and sold competitively to finance a wide variety of facilities including dormitories, student centers, food service facilities and other auxiliary buildings

Served as underwriter's counsel in connection with the refunding of bonds issued by the New York Convention Center Development Corporation to finance the Jacob K. Javits Convention Center which were secured by a hotel unit fee and a guaranty by the State of New York Mortgage Agency

Served as Lead Bond Counsel and Disclosure Counsel in the conversion of the State of Connecticut's \$280,000,000 General Obligation Bonds (2005 Series A) from a Weekly Rate Mode to SIFMA Index Bonds. The transaction involved not only the conversion to the new mode, but required an amendment of the bonds to add the new SIFMA mode, accomplished by triggering a mandatory tender by converting the bonds to a permissible mode, obtaining the purchaser's consent to amend the bonds while the bonds were held by the purchaser, and converting the Bonds to the newly added mode pursuant to the terms of the amended Bonds. The challenges involved in the transaction included numerous state law compliance issues, time-sensitivity, financial structuring issues and terminating an existing standby bond purchase agreement and remarketing agreement

Representation of borrowers as borrower's counsel in public finance transactions, including in transactions over \$1 billion

Representation of trustee banks as trustee's counsel in public finance transactions

Representation of underwriters as underwriters' counsel in public finance transactions

Representation of institutional investors in private placements of secured and unsecured senior and mezzanine debt

Representation of banks in both secured and unsecured financings

Education and Credentials

Education

Boston University School of Law, J.D., *magna cum laude*, 1996

University of Connecticut, B.S., *magna cum laude*, 1993

Admissions

State of Connecticut

Affiliations

American College of Bond Counsel, Fellow

Connecticut Bar Association

Connecticut Bar Foundation, James W. Cooper Fellow

Government Finance Officers Association of Connecticut

National Association of Bond Lawyers

South Asian Bar Association of Connecticut (SABAC), President, 2018-2020

Languages

Hindi

Recognition and Community

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Recognitions

Recipient of the South Asian Bar Association of Connecticut's Trailblazer Award, 2024

Recipient of a South Asian Bar Association of North America's Cornerstone Award, 2022

Chosen for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America* (Woodward/White, Inc.) for Public Finance Law, 2023-2025

Honored as a "Woman Worth Watching" by the *Profiles in Diversity Journal*, 2017

Recognized as a "Woman of Power" by the Urban League of Southern Connecticut, 2014

Community Involvement

Connecticut Bar Foundation, Board

Greater Hartford Legal Aid, Board

Pro Bono Partnership, Advisory Board

South Asian Bar Association of Connecticut, Advisory Board

Insights

2024 Annual Gala, Connecticut Asian Pacific American Bar Association

October 30, 2024

COVID-19 Emergency Order 9R Extends Municipal Deferment/Low Interest Rate Program

December 17, 2020

The New Title IX: A World of Uncertainty

December 2, 2020

LIBOR Termination May Be Postponed to 2023

December 1, 2020

Covid-19 Emergency Order Authorizes CT Municipalities to Hold Public Meetings and Voting by Remote Participation

October 23, 2020

Relief for Banks in the COVID-19 CARES Act

March 27, 2020

Relief for Businesses in the COVID-19 CARES Act

March 27, 2020

Tax Anticipation Notes: An Option to Alleviate Municipal Cash Flow Shortages Due to the COVID-19 Outbreak

March 25, 2020

COVID-19 Emergency Orders Authorize CT Municipalities and Schools to Adopt Budgets Without Voter Approval

March 23, 2020

Five Tips for Lenders to Manage the Impact of COVID-19

March 19, 2020

SEC Legal Bulletin: Antifraud Provisions Apply to Public Statements by Public Officials

February 11, 2020

ARRC Releases Recommended LIBOR Fallback Language for Bilateral Business Loans and Securitizations

June 11, 2019

SEC Amends Municipal Bond Continuing Disclosure Rules

August 21, 2018

MSRB Issues Advisory on Selective Disclosure of Material Information

September 14, 2017

New Management Contract Rules Affect Tax-Exempt Bond-Financed Projects

August 14, 2017

Gov. Malloy Signs Legislation Changing the Structuring of Municipal Bonds

July 11, 2017

SEC Proposes Requiring Material Event Notices for Municipal Bank Loans and Other Private Placements

March 2, 2017

News

Day Pitney Partner Namita Shah Recognized With SABA Connecticut 2024 Trailblazer Award

September 19, 2024

Day Pitney Announces New Leadership Appointments

April 2, 2024

Day Pitney Receives Corporate Award at the Connecticut Hispanic Bar Association's Annual Dinner

November 8, 2023

Gregory A. Hayes Named Managing Partner of Day Pitney

April 3, 2023

Namita Shah, Nicholas Thomas and Tara Pollard Represent Firm at SABAC 15th Annual Awards Gala

September 14, 2022

Day Pitney Partner Namita Shah Recognized With SABA North America 2022 Cornerstone Award

July 18, 2022

Day Pitney Team of Attorneys and Staff Volunteer at Chrysalis Center Freshplace Food Pantry

July 7, 2022

Namita Shah Led Day Pitney's Municipal Finance Team in the Firm's Work on a \$1 Billion Connecticut General Obligation Bond Offering

June 28, 2022

Namita Tripathi Shah Elected as a Fellow of the American College of Bond Counsel

August 14, 2019

Namita Shah Elected as President of South Asian Bar Association of Connecticut

January 25, 2018

Profiles in Diversity Journal Names 4 Day Pitney Attorneys "Women Worth Watching" for 2017

May 26, 2017

Day Pitney Recognized as Top Bond Counsel in Connecticut for 2016
February 21, 2017

Day Pitney Recognized as Top Bond Counsel in Connecticut for 2015
June 23, 2016

Day Pitney Advises on \$501.4 Million in Bond Sales for State of Connecticut
May 26, 2016

Day Pitney Advises on \$550 Million in Bond Sales for State of Connecticut
March 23, 2016

In The Media

Day Pitney Honored For Volunteer Work By Nonprofit Org
Law360 Pulse, April 19, 2023

Diverse Lawyers Network: Industry News
Diverse Lawyers Network newsletter, April 7, 2023

Greg A. Hayes Named Managing Partner of Day Pitney
Boca Raton Tribune, April 5, 2023

New Managing Partner at Day Pitney Law Firm
Fairfield County Business Journal, April 4, 2023

New Leadership Announced at Day Pitney
New Jersey Law Journal, April 4, 2023

Strategic Growth: Day Pitney Names New Managing Partner; Plans Downtown Hartford Move
Hartford Business Journal, April 3, 2023

Day Pitney Taps Conn. Atty As New Managing Partner
Law360 Pulse, April 3, 2023

New Managing Partner, Executives at Day Pitney
Connecticut Law Tribune, April 3, 2023

People Notes
Rocky Hill Life, November 2022

Diverse Lawyers Network: Industry News
Diverse Lawyers Network, July 22, 2022

Day Pitney Attorney Wins South Asian Bar Association Award
Law360 Pulse, July 21, 2022

Lawyer-Moms Say Flexible Policies Are Key to Success
The Connecticut Law Tribune, April 25, 2019

We're Calling It: 2019 Is Year of Female Law Partner in Connecticut
Connecticut Law Tribune, January 23, 2019

Green Bonds Feature in Coming Connecticut GO Sale
The Bond Buyer, November 12, 2015

Guilford Sells \$53M in Bonds to Help Finance High School Project
Guilford Patch, August 8, 2015

Transportation Bonds Stir Debate about Connecticut Debt
The Bond Buyer, July 31, 2015

Fitch warms to CT as \$500M debt-issue looms
Hartford Business Journal, July 23, 2015

Speaker, "Build America Bonds Under the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act of 2009 and Other Tax Credit Bond Financing Options," Government Finance Officers Association of Connecticut, February 4, 2010
February 4, 2010

What You Need To Know As A Summer Associate
Law360, June 17, 2015