



# Winston Hosts 2025 Financial Services Symposium in Charlotte

JANUARY 30, 2025, 8:30AM – 7:00PM ET

Winston's Financial Services Industry Group is pleased to host our 2nd Annual Financial Services Symposium. This year the event includes a full day of programming led by top industry thought leaders. We hope you will join us to gain insights from leading industry executives and lawyers, along with opportunities to network with peers in the industry.

We are pleased to announce our keynote speaker will be Intellectual Property Partner Kathi Vidal, who has recently returned to Winston after having served as Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the USPTO since 2022.

Given the change of administration in the U.S. in 2025, our panels will focus on analyzing the anticipated changes to come that will impact the financial services sector. Below you will find an overview of topics that will be discussed.

## **FINTECH, BANKING & PAYMENTS – MORNING SESSIONS | 9:00 A.M. – NOON**

- Should We Be Optimistic About the Commercial Lending Markets?
- Digital Assets: Game On?
- AI: Analyzing Benefits & Risks

## **KEYNOTE SPEAKER – FIRESIDE CHAT & LUNCH | 12:30 P.M. – 1:30 P.M.**

- Kathi Vidal, Former Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the USPTO, 2022–2024; Partner, Intellectual Property, Winston & Strawn

## **REGULATORY, ENFORCEMENT & INVESTIGATIONS – AFTERNOON SESSIONS | 2:00 P.M. – 5:00 P.M.**

- What Will a “Completely Overhauled DOJ” Look Like?
- What's Trending in Litigation?
- Shifting Trends for Financial Services

[View the full agenda.](#)

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## CLE

6.0 hours of CLE will be offered. Winston & Strawn LLP is an accredited CLE provider in California, Illinois, New York, Pennsylvania, and Texas. North Carolina, South Carolina, and Florida CLE is pending. Other states available upon request.

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## Speaker

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[Elizabeth Ireland](#)

[Dainia Jabaji](#)

[Jordan Klein](#)

[Jack Knight](#)

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[Will Turner, II](#)

[Kathi Vidal](#)

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## Event Information

Kimpton Tryon Park Hotel  
303 S. Church St.  
Charlotte, NC 28202

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[Charlotte](#)

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## Related Professionals

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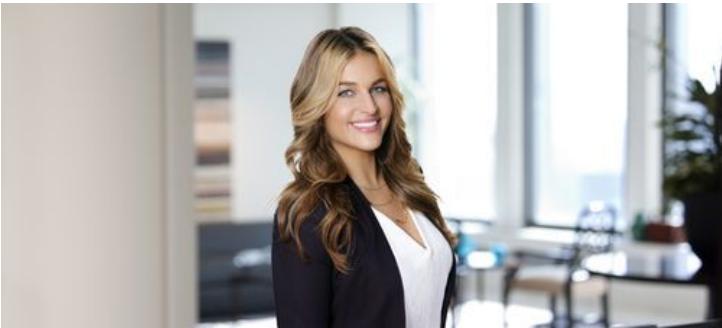
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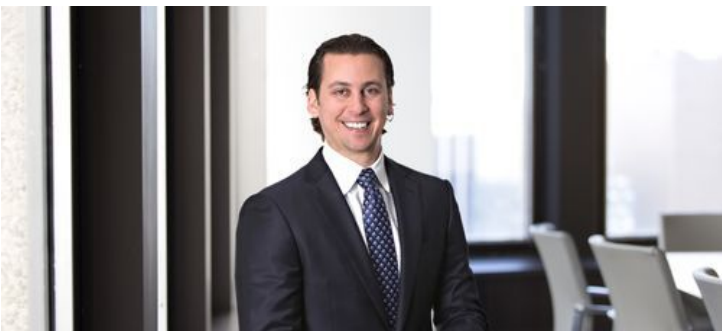
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