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Bio

Lydia C. Pardini counsels manufacturers and importers regarding issues at the intersection of unfair trade and trade remedies proceedings, import regulatory compliance, and international trade policy. She has extensive experience with antidumping and countervailing duty investigations before the U.S. Department of Commerce and International Trade Commission, as well as in advocating for clients in Section 201, Section 232, and Section 301 duty investigations. In this capacity Lydia frequently appears on behalf of clients before U.S. government agencies, the U.S. Court of International Trade, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, North American Free Trade Agreement dispute settlement panels, and the World Trade Organization (WTO).

In addition, Lydia is pending licensure as a Customs Broker and regularly works with clients in matters involving U.S. Customs and Border Protection, including on tariff classification, valuation, and country of origin issues and the agency's penalty and enforcement proceedings. Using her deep understanding of trade remedies, Lydia advises clients regarding customs liquidation issues arising from those proceedings, as well as proceedings concerning the scope, circumvention, and evasion of antidumping and countervailing duty orders. She further assists clients in developing effective and practical compliance programs as pertains to both import and export control regulations.

Prior to joining the firm, Lydia was a senior attorney at the U.S. Department of Commerce in the Office of the Chief Counsel for Trade Enforcement and Compliance. Lydia was recognized on numerous occasions for her work for the Department, including being named the 2018 Attorney of the Year in the Office of the Chief Counsel. She received two U.S. Department of Commerce Gold Medals, the highest honorary recognition for distinguished performance bestowed by the Secretary of Commerce.

While in law school, Lydia was an editor on the *Catholic University Law Review*. She subsequently served as law clerk on the District of Columbia Court of Appeals.

Education

- Catholic University Columbus School of Law, J.D., *cum laude*
- Colby College, B.A., *cum laude*

Admissions

- District of Columbia
- Virginia
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit

- U.S. Court of International Trade

Memberships

- Association of Women in International Trade (WIIT)
- Customs and International Trade Bar Association (CITBA)
- Washington International Trade Association (WITA)
- American Association of Exporters and Importers (AAEI)

News & Insights

Pardini to Moderate CITBA CBP Panel on the Biden Administration

Lydia Pardini will moderate a CITBA panel on current customs initiatives and what can be expected to change under President-Elect Biden's administration.

Trade Policy Under the Biden Administration: Five Big Issues We're Watching

With one day until President-Elect Biden takes office, major questions remain about how the incoming Administration will approach ongoing trade conflicts and duties imposed by the Trump Administration. This blog article discusses five issues AMS is keeping an eye on right now.

Pardini Passes the Customs Broker Exam

Congratulations to Lydia C. Pardini on passing the Customs Broker License Examination (CBLE)!

Fruit of the Poisonous Tree: The Absence of Senate-Confirmed Leadership at DHS and CBP Could Implicate Enforcement of International Trade Laws

AMS attorneys Garcia and Pardini write about how the absence of senate-confirmed leadership at the U.S. Department of Homeland Security and Customs and Border Protection could implicate enforcement of international trade laws.

Significant Changes Impacting U.S.-Hong Kong Trade

In this blog article, Lydia C. Pardini writes about the significant changes impacting U.S.-Hong Kong trade.

Chambers Global Practice Guides Article by Allam and Pardini is Now Available

The chapter on enforcements of judgments for intellectual property and international trade, authored by Asha Allam and Lydia Pardini and published by Chambers and Partners in their 2020 Global Practice Guides, is now available in the attached PDF.

Pardini Contributes to International Trade Year In Review

Lydia C. Pardini, attorney at AMS, contributed to the international trade chapter of Volume 54 of The Year In Review, recently published by the American Bar Association (ABA).

AMS Attorneys Publish Chambers Article on Enforcements of Judgement

Asha Allam and Lydia Pardini, attorneys at Adduci Mastriani & Schaumberg (AMS), authored an insightful chapter on trends and developments in the enforcements of judgements for intellectual property and international trade, which Chambers and Partners published in their 2020 Global Practice Guides.

Change in ITC Leadership

President Trump has designated Jason E. Kearns as Chairman and Randolph J. Stayin as Vice Chairman of the ITC for two-year terms, effective today, June 17, 2020.