

Robert Bourret

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Robert Bourret provides regulatory and general legal counsel to securities broker-dealers, commodities market participants and other financial services industry participants. He also helps financial industry clients in both corporate and transactional matters, including advising on fund formation, restructurings and joint ventures.

Helping clients through a diverse background of experience

As the former campaign manager for Congressman Bill Foster, Robert brings a unique work background to assist clients. While in law school, Robert served as the special projects editor of the *Duke Law Journal*, co-authored an article that appeared in the 84th volume of the *Ohio State Law Journal*, and published an article in the Duke University *FinReg* blog.

Recognitions

Recognized or listed in the following:

- National Immigrant Justice Center
  - Rising Stars, 2026

News

- Katten Represents Elda River Capital Management in Strategic Investment Partnership With Liberty Mutual Investments (November 3, 2026)
- Robert Bourret Named Among 2026 Rising Stars by the National Immigrant Justice Center (June 12, 2026)

Publications

- Perpetual Futures Come Onshore: The CFTC's New Regulatory Framework (June 4, 2026)
- The SEC and CFTC Provide Crypto Clarity: Most Crypto Assets Are Not Securities (March 19, 2026)

Practices

- Financial Markets and Funds

Industries

- Finance and Financial Markets

Education

- JD, Duke University School of Law, *cum laude*
- BS, Northwestern University, *cum laude*

Bar Admissions

- Illinois

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- So You Want to Apply to Become a CFTC-Registered Designated Contract Market (DCM)? Here's What You Should Know (November 20, 2025)
- Clear Skies Ahead? Predicting the Use of the Floor Trader Exemption in Event Contract Markets to Avoid Swap Dealer Registration (October 23, 2025)
- Financial Markets and Funds *Quick Take* | Issue 42 (September 2025)
- Financial Markets and Funds *Quick Take* | Issue 41 (August 2025)
- A Brave New World: The U.S. Supreme Court Torpedoes the "Administrative State" | *The Banking Law Journal* (October 2024)
- SEC Revises Tick Size, Access Fees and Round-Lot Definition and Takes Steps to Disseminate Odd-Lot and Other Better Priced Orders (September 23, 2024)
- Financial Markets and Funds *Quick Take* | Issue 28 (July 2024)
- A Brave New World: The Supreme Court Torpedoes the 'Administrative State' (July 12, 2024)
- Financial Markets and Funds *Quick Take* | Issue 27 (June 2024)
- The Lesson of Prometheus – A Special Purpose Broker Dealer May Cause Havoc in TradFi by Unilaterally Declaring ETH To Be A Security (March 11, 2024)
- SEC Significantly Broadens "Dealer" Definition (February 23, 2024)
- Financial Markets and Funds *Quick Take* | Issue 23 (February 2024)
- DeFi's Decentralization Myth | The *FinReg* blog (April 17, 2023)
- Fractionalizing Investment Securities: Using FinTech to Expand Financial Inclusion | *Ohio State Law Journal*, Vol. 84 (March 16, 2023)

Presentations and Events

- A Brave New World: The Supreme Court Torpedoes the 'Administrative State' (July 30, 2024) | *Panelist*