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About

Gil Ben-Ezra, a partner with Meland Budwick, P.A., investigates and litigates complex claims for a wide range of clients, including trustees, fiduciaries, whistleblowers, shareholders, and victims of fraud. He has played a pivotal role in securing over \$100 million in client recoveries from national and international accounting firms, auditors, banks, an Am Law 100 law firm, and industry-leading defendants.

Prior to joining the firm, Gil conducted internal investigations of fraud, corruption, bid-rigging, money laundering, and other matters for large, multinational clients, including “supermajor” oil and leading aerospace and defense companies.

Gil is fluent in Hebrew.

Education

- University of Florida B.A. Political Science and History, cum laude, 2012
- George Washington Law School J.D., with Honors, 2015

Awards & Rankings

- The Best Lawyers in America, “Ones to Watch,” 2024-2026

Publications & Panels

- Speaker, “Held to Account: Civil Liability and Ponzi Schemes,” LSU Fraud & Forensic Accounting Conference, 2025
- Co-author, Technologies & Game Developers: The Next Targets for the Plaintiff’s Product Liability Bar, 2017

Bar Admissions

- Florida
- Southern District of Florida

Languages

- Hebrew

Representative Matters

Practice Area	Representative Matters
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Financial Frauds and Commercial Litigation	Meland Budwick serves as special litigation counsel to Christina Lovato, the Chapter 7 bankruptcy trustee in Reno, Nevada for DC Solar Solutions, Inc. and certain affiliates (DC Solar). Jeffrey Carpoﬀ and others pleaded guilty to perpetrating a \$1 billion Ponzi scheme through DC Solar. The firm is prosecuting all litigation claims held by the trustee. To date, Meland Budwick, P.A., has achieved over \$100 million in litigation recoveries. This includes claims against financial institutions (for \$11.625 million & 9 million), financial professionals (for \$11.25 million & \$3.2 million), and clawback targets (including a 100% \$19.5 million recovery from the IRS for income tax payments made on behalf of wrongdoers and \$5.75 million from NASCAR). Recently, the firm recovered \$20 million from Nixon Peabody, LLP, DC Solar’s primary outside counsel, and secured a judgment against a transferee for \$2.7 million, successfully defending the ruling before the 9th Circuit Bankruptcy Appellate Panel. The firm continues to prosecute a \$33 million avoidance action against one of the largest privately held businesses in Nevada and a \$6 million claim against a former broker. In addition, the firm is pursuing a nine-figure tort claim against a national professional services firm and a seven-figure claim against an attorney who pled guilty to laundering millions of dollars following the collapse of the fraud.
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Commercial Litigation	Successfully represented a web-based prediction platform and Israeli national in defense against action alleging breach of contract, fraud, wire fraud, and securities fraud.
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Appellate Practice	Successfully represented Bivens plaintiff’s appeal of Judgment Notwithstanding Verdict to the United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit.
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