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About

Gil 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,” 2024-2025

Publications

- Technologies & Game Developers: The Next Targets for the Plaintiff’s Product Liability Bar (May 22, 2017)

Bar Admissions

- Florida
- Southern District of Florida

Representative Matters

Practice Area

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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.

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.

Appellate Practice

Successfully represented Bivens plaintiff's appeal of Judgment Notwithstanding Verdict to the United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit.