

Headline News

Firm Obtains Net Recovery for Client of \$84 Million in Ernst & Young Litigation

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In January 2005, Andrews Kurth tried *Branch v. Ernst & Young* on behalf of the Chapter 7 bankruptcy trustee of Bank of New England Corporation (“BNEC”) before a jury in federal district court in Boston. The negligence action against BNEC’s former auditors sought recovery pursuant to the developing “deepening insolvency” doctrine. In mid-trial, the case was settled with net fees of approximately \$70 million. The same trial team previously represented the BNEC Trustee in litigation against the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation that resulted in a \$140 million recovery.