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MVP: Latham's Andrew Clubok

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Law360 (November 9, 2026, 4:00 PM EST) -- Andrew Clubok was a key player on the Latham & Watkins LLP team that won a complete dismissal of a precedent-setting securities class action for DocuSign Inc. that accused the software company and its top brass of misleading investors about its post-pandemic growth prospects, earning him a spot as one of the 2026 Law360 Technology MVPs.



His biggest accomplishment:

Earlier in 2026, San Francisco-based DocuSign beat a suit filed in 2022 that accused company officials of making overly optimistic, false and misleading statements about the cause of the company's accelerated growth in 2020 and 2021 during the COVID-19 pandemic, even as the demand for DocuSign's services began to wane as pandemic restrictions were lifted.

In January, U.S. District Judge Vince Chhabria granted DocuSign's motion to dismiss the shareholder suit, finding no statements the investors flagged in their latest complaint warranted keeping it alive. The court agreed with Latham that shareholders mischaracterized key internal documents obtained during discovery, finding the plaintiffs' claims should be dismissed on their merits.

"We really snatched victory from the jaws of defeat there," Clubok said. "That case was going on before we were involved, and they had had some setbacks. The case had survived a motion to dismiss, a class had been certified, and once that happens in a big securities class action — a big fraud claim like that — probably 99 times out of 100, those cases settle for massive amounts of money."

After the Latham team took over the case from another firm, the new attorneys determined that much of the fundamental basis of the case relied on inaccurate so-called "confidential witnesses," he said.

"We exposed all that," Clubok said. "The judge put everything on pause, and we ultimately won a complete dismissal with prejudice. No appeal. Case over. So it went from a case with massive alleged

damages and already having survived a motion to dismiss and certified as a fraud class action to complete victory."

His biggest challenge:

Clubok represented Meta in one of the largest securities actions ever filed. In that case, investors alleged the tech giant hid the $10 billion financial impact of Apple's privacy changes on Meta's 11-figure annual advertisement revenues, among other accusations.

"[Meta] had a $250 billion stock drop – which at the time was the largest stock drop in history," he said. "And whenever there's that much drop, the plaintiffs come up with lots of theories."

Investors sued Meta in March 2022, accusing the company, its CEO Mark Zuckerberg and other top executives of violating federal securities laws. In February, Clubok led the Latham team that secured a unanimous decision from the Ninth Circuit affirming a 2024 dismissal for Meta and three of its senior officers.

"There was a very lengthy complaint with all kinds of claims about why Meta couldn't properly predict competition with TikTok versus implementation of Reels, or Meta couldn't properly anticipate how changes to iOS would affect its business, and all these technology changes that may have caused the stock to temporarily go down," Clubok said. "The plaintiffs' bar said, 'Oh, you didn't perfectly predict changing technology. We're going to claim securities fraud.'

"I think a big challenge is when there's that much thrown up against the wall to basically help the court understand what the facts are and why the facts don't fit a theory of fraud, as opposed to everybody's doing the best they can in a very rapidly changing tech environment."

Why he's a technology attorney:

Clubok said he actually considers himself a trial lawyer first. He began his career handling all kinds of different matters in a generalist practice, and then the dot-com bubble happened.

"And when the dot-com bubble happened, I was in D.C. just doing my non-dot-com bubble thing," he said. "In fact, I didn't even have a cell phone until 1999, and then I had a flip phone for about another 15 years. So at the time, I was not at all immersed in tech."

But suddenly, in the early 2000s, he found himself working on dozens of cases involving tech companies that had either failed or not done nearly as well as they had expected. For AOL, he handled one of the very first cases in which the company was accused of operating a monopoly.

"I remember literally being in front of a judge who was quite mature, let's just say, and literally, his clerk was up there at the stand trying to show him what the internet was and trying to show him how to get on the internet," Clubok said. "We were trying to explain to that judge, how the internet works and why you can't have a monopoly over access to it, and things like that."

Eventually, Clubok became well versed in both tech and securities litigation, and would later merge the two in his practice.

His other notable cases:

The case he's most proud of in his entire career is leading the Latham team representing the NAACP in a federal New York Voting Rights Act case. The NAACP had accused the East Ramapo Central School District of effectively blocking black and Latino voters' preferred candidates from the school board.

The Latham team – which included seven or eight associates who examined witnesses — was up against an all-partner Morgan Lewis team. A Latham associate did the opening and closing arguments.

After a five-week trial, Latham won the case.

"We won the largest attorney fee award at the time in the history of the Voting Rights Act, about $4 million," Clubok said. "We donated all of that. We started a foundation in East Ramapo, New York, that funds after-school programs for kids and other educational things, and that's still ongoing."

Clubok said his team uncovered some of the most "atrocious" racially charged text messages between white school board members that he's ever seen.

"It was a terrific victory. It was impactful. The decision actually came out on Jan. 6, 2021, from the appellate court," he said. "So it was a very weird day — to get affirmation of democracy in the morning, and then different events unfolded later that day. But that's for sure the case I'm most proud of. The substance was terrific, and the opportunity the associates had to really successfully run that case was just great."

--As told to Tracey Read. Editing by Amy Rowe.

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