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BUSINESS AND COMMERCIAL

Goldberg Segalla represents local, regional, national and international businesses – including Fortune 500 companies and not-for-profit organizations – in all types of commercial transactions and disputes.

Our lawyers are highly experienced in complex business litigation and commercial transactions, enabling us to efficiently assess and counsel businesses in their day-to-day operations. In addition, our commercial trial attorneys have successfully litigated cases in state and federal courts throughout the United States as well as in administrative proceedings, arbitration and mediation. We have also represented businesses in negotiations and transactions across the country, as well as in numerous foreign jurisdictions.

This team has been recognized by Chambers and Partners for three consecutive years as one of the top in Upstate New York. The 2015, 2016, and 2017 editions of the prestigious *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business* rank the 15-year-old Goldberg Segalla among some of the region's oldest and most well-established law firms. The directory notes that the firm is known for its "large commercial litigation team with experience across a breadth of contentious business matters" and that it is "well placed to represent clients from numerous industries, including financial services and insurance companies, retailers and media groups."

Our experience includes:

- Complex commercial and business litigation including contract disputes, business tort and unfair competition claims and intellectual property litigation
- Drafting and interpreting commercial agreements and resolving disputes regarding licensing, construction, distribution, franchising, mergers, acquisitions, sales, divestitures and joint-venture matters
- Debtor/creditor relations, including collection, insolvency and bankruptcy proceedings
- Commercial real estate holdings, including sales, purchases, leasing, financing, development, SEQRA, environmental compliance and liability, zoning and foreclosure actions
- Corporate governance, including advising boards of directors in connection with fiduciary obligations, and advising shareholders, partners, and owners in all aspects of shareholder, partner, and owner agreements and disputes
- Not-for-profit and charitable laws and regulations, including formation, tax exempt status and financing
- Advising professional service firms (including physicians, medical groups, law firms, accounting firms, architects and surveyors) in all aspects of their operations, professional licensing, operation agreements, and owner and contractual disputes and dissolution
- Corporate and estate tax planning, wealth planning, and succession planning involving wills, estates, trusts, and succession agreements
- Corporate transactions involving structure, formation, and financing business entities and expansion
- Representation of lenders and borrowers in numerous aspects of business entity capitalization, financing and loan workouts