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PRACTICES

Management and Professional Liability

Peter W. Overs Jr.

PARTNER

EXPERIENCE

Peter Overs is a strategic and creative litigator with more than 25 years of experience handling complex, high-stakes disputes in federal and state courts. A partner in the firm's Management and Professional Liability practice group, Peter counsels and defends companies, directors and officers, and professionals facing claims involving alleged breaches of fiduciary duty, securities and regulatory violations, corporate governance failures, and professional errors and omissions. With more than three decades of legal experience, he has handled matters from inception through trial and appeal in federal and state courts, including class actions, shareholder derivative suits, and multidistrict litigation, and he regularly advises clients on litigation strategy, regulatory exposure, and resolution.

Peter's career has given him an unusually complete view of litigation and the businesses it affects. He has represented both plaintiffs and defendants, gained perspective from behind the federal appellate bench, and held senior executive roles on the business side.

Prior to joining Goldberg Segalla, Peter was general counsel, chief compliance officer, and chief operating officer of an SEC-registered hedge fund, where he led the legal and compliance function for event-based investment funds, separately managed accounts, and co-investment vehicles. In that role, he managed SEC investigations, operational due diligence, fund launches, and audits, and co-managed back- and middle-office operations with prime and executing brokers and the fund administrator. That experience gives Peter first-hand insight into the regulatory pressures, operational realities, and cost considerations that directors, officers, and financial services firms face every day.

Peter also draws on over two decades in private practice, where he investigated, valued, and litigated complex corporate disputes, class actions and shareholder derivative actions from inception through trial and appeal, including extensive multidistrict litigation practice. His work spanned antitrust, securities, ERISA, consumer protection, labor and employment, corporate governance and takeover disputes, fiduciary duty claims, and books-and-records proceedings. Having built and prosecuted these claims, Peter knows how plaintiffs' counsel evaluate and pursue cases, and he uses that knowledge to identify weaknesses, manage exposure, and position matters for favorable resolution.

BACKGROUND

ADMISSIONS

- New York
- U.S. District Courts for the Eastern and Southern Districts of New York
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit

EDUCATION

- St. John's University School of Law, J.D., 1993
  - ABI Bankruptcy Law Review, Notes and Comments Editor
  - Law Review

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- New York University, B.A., *magna cum laude*, 1990

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- New York City Bar Association, 1995 – Present
  - Committee on Antitrust and Trade Regulation, Secretary, 1995-96
  - Committee on Professional and Judicial Ethics, 1997
- Association of Corporate Counsel, 2024-26
- National Society of Compliance Professionals, 2022-26