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Education

J.D., Columbia Law School, 2002
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B.A., Cornell University, 1999

Bar Admissions

New York
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Jeffrey Geier represents U.S. and international corporations and individuals in complex commercial disputes before state and federal courts in the United States and arbitral tribunals in the United States and internationally. Mr. Geier also has represented clients in connection with investigations undertaken by the U.S. Department of Justice, the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Commodity Futures Trading Commission. His work spans a variety of industries, including real estate, banking, finance, accounting, insurance and reinsurance. He has litigated a wide variety of claims, for both plaintiffs and defendants, including breach of contract, breach of fiduciary duty, fraud and claims under the United States securities laws.

Mr. Geier's representations have included:

- a private equity firm in connection with a series of litigations throughout the United States involving allegations of securities fraud, negligent misrepresentation and related claims, including in obtaining dismissal of all claims asserted against the firm in certain of the litigations
- a travel services company in an action for declaratory judgment before the Southern District of New York concerning rights under an indenture and defense of fraudulent transfer counterclaims
- a major bank in connection with its efforts to foreclose on property in New York City
- a major bank in a series of litigations involving a defaulted loan, including defense of certain lender liability claims
- an individual in cross-border litigation arising out of the Icelandic banking crisis, including obtaining dismissal on *forum non conveniens* grounds of an action filed in New York
- a "big four" accounting firm in its defense of several related lawsuits concerning allegations of fraud and breach of duty arising out of the accounting firm's audits of its client
- an investment firm in a successful international arbitration seated in Hong Kong concerning breaches of representations and warranties in a securities purchase agreement with parallel litigation taking place in the federal courts of Delaware
- an Irish bank in a successful arbitration seated in New York concerning the management and control of a real estate investment fund with parallel litigation taking place in the courts of the Republic of Ireland

Mr. Geier also spent several months on secondment in the New York City Law Department, Office of the Corporation Counsel defending the city of New York, including at jury trials.