

# Nine Attorneys Promoted to Partner or Senior Counsel at Proskauer Rose LLP

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November 1, 2001 (New York, NY) - Proskauer Rose LLP announced today the election of three new partners and the promotion of six associates to the position of senior counsel.

The following attorneys have been elected partners in the firm:

Michael T. Mervis, 37, of the Litigation Department, New York, NY -- Mervis represents public and private corporations, as well as partnerships and joint ventures, in intellectual property, complex commercial and entertainment industry litigation in federal and state courts, as well as arbitral tribunals, throughout the United States. He received his J.D. degree from New York University in 1990.

Scott K. Rutsky, 35, of the Bankruptcy and Reorganization Department, New York, NY -- Since joining the firm in 1990, Rutsky has represented corporate debtors, trustees, secured creditors, creditors' committees, employee-benefit funds, real estate partnerships, equity holders and other parties in some of the country's largest and most complex Chapter 11 cases and out-of-court restructurings. He has also represented parties seeking to invest in, or purchase assets of, troubled companies both in and out of the Chapter 11 context. Rutsky is a 1990 graduate, with distinction, of the Hofstra University School of Law, where he was a member of the Law Review (and prior to joining the Law Review, the Real Property Law Journal).

Peter J.W. Sherwin, 34, of the Litigation Department, New York, NY -- Sherwin regularly practices before the federal and state courts in New York, representing corporations, organizations, and individuals, both as plaintiffs and as defendants. Peter's cases often involve sophisticated financial products, and he has significant experience with securities-related class actions, proxy fights, and other federal securities law claims. Peter also regularly represents clients in protecting their intellectual property rights. He joined Proskauer in 1993 after graduating from Columbia University School of Law and clerking for Hon. Ann Aldrich (U.S.D.J., N.D. Ohio).

In addition, the following attorneys will become Senior Counsel:

David C. Friedman, 35, of the Real Estate Department, New York, NY -- David Friedman is active in all aspects of the Firm's real estate practice, with a particular emphasis on sale/leaseback transactions, joint ventures, lending, sales and acquisitions. He has represented borrowers, institutional lenders, sellers of commercial real estate and equity investors including U.S. Realty Advisors, LLC in connection with a sale-leaseback facility with GE Capital Franchise Finance Corporation with respect to the acquisition and net leasing of retail properties located throughout the United States involving transactions aggregating in excess of \$500 million. David Friedman received a J.D. degree cum laude from New York Law School in 1993.

Evan L. Kahn, 35, of the Litigation Department, New York, NY -- A registered attorney before the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office, Kahn concentrates his practice on high technology patent issues pertaining to a variety of fields including video, audio, communications, networking, semiconductors, computer architecture, optics, encryption and software. His work has included licensing, patent procurement and counseling clients on issues of infringement and validity. This has included providing noninfringement/invalidity opinions to clients in connection with specific patents and right to use opinions in regard to specific products. He received his law degree from the University of Houston, where he was an associate editor of the Houston Law Review.

Robert K. Kane, 33, of the Corporate Department, New York, NY -- Kane has represented a wide variety of clients, including executive officers of a variety of companies, underwriters, venture capitalists, investment advisors, financial service companies, retailers, conglomerates and manufacturers in transactions ranging from public and private offerings of debt and equity securities to mergers and acquisitions. The companies that he has represented include start-up companies and companies with millions of dollars in annual revenues. Kane has also represented companies in connection with financings, executive employment matters, the adoption of stock option and other incentive plans and disclosure obligations under the securities laws. He received his J.D. in 1993 from St. John's University School of Law, where he was a member of the St. John's Law Review.

Ellen Moskowitz, 43, of the Health Care Department, New York, NY -- Moskowitz provides a broad range of regulatory, corporate and transactional services to health industry and related clients, including academic medical centers, community-based health clinics, pharmaceutical companies, social services agencies, management companies, internet providers and physician groups. Among Ellen's areas of expertise are the development and operation of integrated provider networks involving not-for-profit organizations, fraud and abuse laws, research compliance, and Medicare and Medicaid reimbursement issues. She also serves as counsel to employers and other sponsors of group health plans, particularly regarding their agreements with health insurers, pharmacy benefit managers and third-party administrators. Moskowitz received her law degree from Columbia University School of Law in 1986.

Ivan Taback, 34, of the Personal Planning Department, New York, NY -- Taback concentrates his legal practice in the fields of federal estate, gift and generation-skipping taxes, charitable trusts and estate and trust administration. His practice extends to matters involving all aspects of sophisticated planning and wealth preservation for families and individuals. Ivan has extensive experience in the preparation and administration of wills and trusts, and the formation and reorganization of closely held corporations, partnerships and limited liability companies. He received his law degree from the Washington College of Law, American University in 1992 and an LL.M. in Taxation from New York University School of Law in 1995.

Susan Turner, 45, of the Health Care Department, Washington, D.C. -- Turner concentrates her practice in the health care area, primarily representing providers on regulatory matters, with a special emphasis on matters involving reimbursement under the Medicare and Medicaid programs, long term care regulatory matters, survey and certification, and fraud and abuse. She received her law degree from Catholic University, Washington, D.C. in 1990.

#### [Related Professionals](#)

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