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The Firm: The highly rated Proskauer Rose team receives high praise in New York and Massachusetts. The practice is broken down into eight defined practice areas, including single employer corporate retirement plans, executive compensation, public and private plan investment funds and fiduciary investment issues, business transactions and multiemployer retirement plans. The team has served as ongoing benefits and executive compensation counsel for International Securities Exchange.

Client Service: "Proskauer has good bench strength and always allocates the right people to a matter. The attorneys are communicative and attentive, and it's evident the different departments work collegially, which filters through to clients via the firm's organization and calming influence in the chaos of M&A transactions."

Key Individuals: Michael Sirkin “has developed a great practice in executive compensation matters.” This focus enables him to advise clients in connection with nonqualified arrangements and represent management teams in private equity deals and other M&A transactions. Commentators state: “Michael is of the highest quality when it comes to negotiating employment agreements.” One source says that Paul Hamburger “is my first port of call; if I’m ever not sure of something I go straight to him to double-check, regardless of who has initially advised me.” His areas of expertise include 401(k) plans, ESOPs and defined benefit plans.