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Don Melamed advises asset managers and institutional investors across the full spectrum of investment fund matters. He specializes in advising fund managers across asset classes, including real estate, buyout, growth equity, impact and distressed debt. Don has a significant practice advising investment firms on the formation and operation of their asset management businesses, including incentive arrangements, co-investment transactions and spin-outs.

He also focuses on representing institutional investors and family offices in connection with both primary and secondary transactions.

Leveraging his extensive experience in the investment management space, Don advises executive management teams, operators and money partners on structuring joint ventures and operating businesses that have an investment or fundraising component.

Matters

A select list of Don's experience includes:

- Advising an alternative asset manager on the formation of multiple global funds focused on water sustainability, renewable energy and other impact investments
- Advising a real estate developer and property manager on forming its first institutional fund focused on U.S. industrial real estate investments
- Advising an alternative asset manager on the formation of multiple funds and co-investment vehicles focused on distressed credit, digital infrastructure and real estate-related investments
- Advising the media, entertainment and technology team of an alternative asset manager on the spin-out of their fund management business and the formation of the team's third private equity fund
- Advising global pension fund manager in restructuring its defined benefit plan portfolio and related separate account arrangements of its alternative investment management team

Practices

Private Funds, Investment Management

Industries

Private Equity Real Estate, Private Equity, Asset Management

Market Solutions

Environmental, Social and Corporate Governance (ESG)

Education

Loyola Law School, J.D.

University of California, Irvine, B.A.

Admissions & Qualifications

California

Awards & Recognition

Chambers Global: USA: Investment Funds: Private Equity: Fund Formation 2022

Named one of The Recorder's 50 "Fast Track" lawyers, recognizing California attorneys whose early accomplishments indicate they will be tomorrow's top leaders (2012)

The Legal 500 United States: Real Estate 2019

Chambers USA: Nationwide: Investment Funds: Private Equity: Fund Formation 2021-2022