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Steven M. Ellis is the former Chair of Proskauer. He is a partner in the Firm's market-leading Private Credit Practice, a practice that Steve proudly founded and led to its dominant position in the market today, serving as head of that practice for over 15 years.

During his tenure as Chair of Proskauer, the Firm achieved record financial results and dramatically expanded its transactional platform and private capital offering.

Ranked by *Chambers USA* as an "Eminent Practitioner" for Banking and Finance, Massachusetts (the only practitioner to be listed in this category), Steve is described by his clients as "very savvy". With a client roster boasting over 75 asset managers, he has represented an array of secured lenders, second lien lenders, debt funds and private equity funds in all types of transactions from recapitalizations to acquisitions. He specializes in private credit financing transactions, including innovative, first-in-kind structures.

Steve serves as an active board member for Team IMPACT, Inc., a non-profit dedicated to improving the lives of kids battling diseases. A network of volunteers, coaches and players, Team IMPACT matches children facing serious or chronic illnesses with college athletic teams to form relationships that have life-changing outcomes.

## Practices

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Private Credit, Private Credit Restructuring, Finance, Business Solutions, Governance, Restructuring & Bankruptcy, Private Equity Transactions

## Industries

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Asset Management, Private Capital, Health Care, Private Equity

## Education

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Boston University School of Law, J.D.

Tufts University, B.A.

## Admissions & Qualifications

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Massachusetts

## Court Admissions

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U.S. Court of Appeals, First Circuit

U.S. District Court, Massachusetts

## Awards & Recognition

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Chambers Global: USA: Banking & Finance 2020-2024

Chambers Global: USA: Banking & Finance: Eminent Practitioner, 2023

Chambers USA: Banking & Finance: Eminent Practitioner, 2023

Chambers USA: Massachusetts: Banking & Finance: Eminent Practitioner, 2023

Chambers USA: Massachusetts: Banking & Finance 2007-2021

Chambers USA: Nationwide: Banking & Finance 2017-2020

Best Lawyers in America 2012-2024

The Legal 500 United States: Commercial Lending: Advice to Lenders 2008-2013, 2016-2018, 2020-2023 (Leading Lawyer, 2023)

The Legal 500 United States: Commercial Lending: Advice to Borrowers 2019-2021

Super Lawyers 2004-2019