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Stuart Coleman has counseled registered funds and their independent board members and market-leading investment advisers for more than 35 years, through cycles of industry expansion and innovation and in times of economic and regulatory crisis. His clients include funds and/or boards in more than 30 well-known complexes (including those with registered hedge and private equity funds, ETFs and BDCs), with assets of nearly 10% of all the money invested in investment companies. Stuart also has represented board litigation committees and has served as an expert in a significant matter before the SEC and in private litigation.

A well-known individual in the industry, Stuart has chaired the New York City Bar Association Committee on Investment Management Regulation and has served on the ABA's Task Force on the Fund Director's Guidebook. In addition, he has spoken at numerous prominent industry conferences and before industry groups.

He is passionate about the performing arts in New York City. He and his wife serve on the boards of a number of dance companies and performing arts venues.

Before joining Proskauer, Stuart was the co-managing partner of a national law firm for 12 years.

#### Practices

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Registered Funds, Business Development Companies, Investment Management

## Industries

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Financial Services

## Market Solutions

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Corporate Governance

## Education

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New York University School of Law, J.D., 1979

*cum laude*

*Order of the Coif*

Wesleyan University, B.A., 1976

*magna cum laude*

## Admissions & Qualifications

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New York

## Memberships

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Member, Investment Management Regulation Committee, the Association of the Bar of the City of New York

Chair, Investment Management Regulation Committee, the Association of the Bar of the City of New York, 2003-2006

Member, Task Force on Fund Directors, American Bar Association

Member, Task Force on Fund Director's Guidebook, American Bar Association

Member, Task Force on Independent Director Counsel, American Bar Association

New York University School of Law, Member of the Board of Trustees

New York City Ballet, Board Member

New York City Center, Board Member

The George Balanchine Trust, Trustee

Works & Process at the Guggenheim, Board Member

Hunter College Dance Advisory Board, Member

School of American Ballet, Board Member, 2001 – 2013, Emeritus since 2013

Volunteer Lawyers for the Arts, Board Member, 2006-2015

## Awards & Recognition

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"Independent Counsel of the Year," Mutual Funds and ETF Awards 2020

Chambers Global: USA: Investment Funds: Registered Funds (Band 1) 2020-2021

Chambers USA: National – Investment Funds: Registered Funds (Band 1) 2008-2020

The Legal 500 United States: Investment Fund Formation and Management: Mutual/Registered Funds 2013-2016, (Leading Lawyer, 2015-2020), (Hall of Fame, 2020)

Chambers USA: National – Investment Funds: Hedge Funds (Band 1) 2008 (Band 2) 2009

Chambers Global: United States of America – Investment Funds: Hedge Funds (Band 1) 2009 (Band 2) 2010

Best Lawyers in America Lawyer of the Year 2018 and 2013 (Mutual Funds Law, New York)

Best Lawyers in America 2006-2021

New York Super Lawyers 2006-2020