

## MATHEW E. HOFFMAN

### Of Counsel



Mathew E. Hoffman is a litigator with over 30 years of experience handling complex commercial litigations, mediations, and arbitrations. He practices at both the trial and appellate level in the federal and state courts. Mat's practice includes securities litigations and SEC investigations, FINRA and AAA arbitrations, breach of contract matters, discrimination claims, products liability, takeover litigation, estate and real estate litigation, employee breach of duty and trade secrets claims, as well as a specialty in fine arts litigation.

Mat has represented clients as varied as the National Basketball Association, La-Z-Boy, Hansel 'N Gretel meats, the American Society of Travel Agents, Art Finance Partners and Kaufman Brothers. In one widely reported matter, Mat recovered in excess of \$18 million for a former general counsel of a publicly listed company.

While Mat can and does represent clients in hard fought litigations, he takes particular pride in the fact that clients look to him to find sound business solutions and resolutions to their disputes. He credits his years of service on the board of directors of a public corporation with sensitizing him to the practical decisions that clients face in litigation.

Mat has been a member of the Commercial Litigation and Law and Children Committees of the New York State Bar Association. He has spoken for the Bar on Enforcement of Judgments and for various groups on products liability issues. His cases have been featured on the front page of The New York Law Journal, in the New York Times and on ABC News, and Mat's published works have been reprinted internationally.

Before joining Barton, Mat was the head of litigation department at Todtman, Nachamie, Spizz and Johns, PC.

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## Education

University of Michigan, B.A., *summa cum laude*

Columbia University, J.D., Harlan Fiske Stone  
Scholar, Executive Editor of Columbia Journal  
of Law and Social Problems

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## Admissions

U.S. District Court, Southern District New York

U.S. District Court, Eastern District New York

U.S. Court of Appeals, Second Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit

## Practices

Arbitration

Commercial Litigation

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## Industry Experience

Art, Fashion, Beauty, and Design

Finance

Investment Management

Manufacturing and Distribution

Real Estate

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## Memberships

New York State Bar Association (Member,  
Committee on Children and Law)

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## Honors

AV rated by Martindale-Hubbell

Selected by *Super Lawyers* from 2006 to  
present

## In The Media

Quoted in “Sotheby’s Sues Art Dealer Over \$6.5 Million Keith Haring Bid.” *Artforum International Magazine*. (February 9, 2018).

Quoted in “A Legal Battle Between Sotheby’s and a Dealer Over a Record-Setting Keith Haring Painting is Headed for Trial.” *Artnet News*. (February 8, 2018).

Quoted in “Why Sotheby’s Sued an Art Dealer Over a \$6.5 Million Keith Haring Painting.” *Architectural Digest*. (February 7, 2018).

Quoted in “Sotheby’s Battles N.Y. Art Dealer Over Keith Haring Winning Bid.” Bloomberg. (February 5, 2018).

Quoted in “Anatole Shagalov embroiled in legal cases that reveal problems of buying art with loans.” *The Art Newspaper*. (March 1, 2017).

Quoted in “Financial Troubles of Broker/Consultant Create Avalanche of Legal Action.” *Maine Antique Digest*. (July 13, 2015)

Quoted in “Gallery Under Legal Fire Declares Bankruptcy.” *The New York Times*. (December 22, 2005)

## Attorney Articles

Co-author “A Loan by Any Other Name...” *Paradigm Magazine*. (Spring 2019).

“Standards in the Antitrust Arena: Standards the Victor.” *Standardization News*. (February 1988).

“Use of Standards in Products Liability Litigation.” *Drake Law Review*. Vol. 30, No. 2, (1981).

“The Consumer Product Safety Commission: In Search of Regulatory Pattern.” *Columbia Journal of Law and Social Problems*. Vol. 12, No. 3, (1976).