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Chris focuses his practice on complex corporate and commercial litigation, arbitration, and appellate matters.

Chris' practice has an emphasis on corporate, partnership, and business disputes; contract disputes; post-merger and post-acquisition disputes; and professional liability. He has represented companies in a broad range of industries including the restaurant, technology, financial services, and real estate industries.

In addition to litigation, Chris counsels and advises on proposed business transactions, entity formations and structures, contractual obligations, trademark law, copyright law, and other transactional matters, including the negotiation and drafting of various corporate documents such as separation agreements for members of limited liability companies, escrow agreements, confidentiality agreements, nondisclosure agreements, employee manuals, licensing agreements, and other contracts.

Select Experience

- Acted as primary counsel advising on the options surrounding the potential separation of partners in a multi-million-dollar real estate company.
- Acted as primary counsel for EB-5 investors in New York State Supreme Court, New York County Commercial Division successfully briefing and arguing in opposition to a motion to dismiss the investors' claims.
- Acted as second chair in an ICC arbitration concerning disputes regarding the production and distribution of solar panels and involving issues of New York, California, and Chinese law.
- Acted as second chair of the team that successfully represented former partner in algorithmic trading firm prosecuting claims against firm for breach of promissory note and defending against counterclaims brought by firm in the New York State Supreme Court, New York County Commercial Division.

Court Admissions

- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York

Education

- St. Mary's University School of Law (J.D., 1995)
- Binghamton University (B.A., History, 1992)

Bar Admissions

- New York
- Texas

- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York
- U.S. District Court for the Western District of Michigan

Professional Affiliations

- Member, New York City Bar Association
- Member, New York City Bar Association LGBTQ Rights Committee (Tenure 2025-2028)
- Member New York City Bar Association (Tenure 2025-2028)