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Mr. Obergfell, Chairman of the firm, practices primarily in the firm's securities, real estate, and banking and finance groups.

Mr. Obergfell's securities work focuses on cross-border corporate finance, and includes managing the firm's depositary receipts practice. He represents depositary banks in connection with securities offerings using depositary receipt structures. He has extensive experience in transactions involving American depositary receipts (ADRs) and global depositary receipts (GDRs).

Mr. Obergfell's real estate practice includes representing major financial institutions in all aspects of commercial real estate financing, including commercial mortgage loan origination and securitization, construction loans, syndicated lending facilities, revolving credit lines, and loan defeasances. He also represents landlords in the acquisition, financing and leasing of office, retail and multi-family properties.

Additionally, Mr. Obergfell leads the firm's real estate tax certiorari practice, in which he represents institutional owners in the annual protest of their New York City real property tax assessment. He has extensive experience reducing the tax liability of all property types, including special use properties.

ADMISSIONS

New York, 1986
Solicitor – England and Wales, 2008

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Member, New York State Banking Board, 2007- 2011
New York State Department of Financial Service – Member, State Charter Advisory Board, 2011 to present
Trustee, City University of New York, 2012 to present; Vice Chair, Committee on Facilities Planning and Management, 2014 to present
Trustee, Leake & Watts Children's Home, 2009 to 2012
Permanent Trustee – Heisman Trophy Trust, 2001 to present

PRACTICES & INDUSTRIES

Banking and Finance
Depositary Receipts
Real Estate Finance
Real Estate Tax
Certiorari
Real Property
Securities and
Securities Services

EDUCATION

New York Law School
J.D., 1985
Boston University
B.S., Communications,
1979