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MURTHA CULLINA

Education:

New York University School of Law (J.D., *cum laude*, 1983)

Stanford University (B.A., 1979)

Description:

Mr. Friedman represents clients in complex commercial and other civil litigation matters. He has litigated cases in state and federal courts at both the trial and appellate levels involving attorney malpractice claims, insurance coverage disputes, commercial lease issues, commercial and residential foreclosures, environmental disputes, partnership disputes and dissolutions, franchise disputes, claims for contribution and indemnification, claims for breach of non-competition agreements, trade secret claims and a wide variety of tort and contractual disputes. He has also represented attorneys in grievance proceedings before the Statewide Grievance Committee.

Mr. Friedman is Vice President and Treasurer of the Board of Directors of Statewide Legal Services of Connecticut, a member of the Connecticut Bar Association House of Delegates, a fellow with the Connecticut Bar Foundation, and serves as an attorney trial referee in the Connecticut Superior Court, Judicial District of Fairfield at Bridgeport.

Upon graduation from law school, Mr. Friedman worked for the Legal Aid Society, Criminal Appeals Bureau, in New York City (1983-1986), where he briefed and argued approximately 50 appeals before the New York Court of Appeals and the New York Supreme Court, Appellate Division and Appellate Term. He subsequently served as a law clerk to the Honorable Judith S. Kaye, Associate Judge (later Chief Judge) of the New York Court of Appeals. From 1988 to 2009 he worked for Zeldes, Needle & Cooper, P.C. in Bridgeport, Connecticut, where he served on the firm's management committee and maintained a vibrant and diverse commercial litigation practice. He has continued and enhanced that practice since his arrival at Murtha Cullina in 2009.

Practices & Industries:

- Business Litigation
- Environmental Law
- Insurance Recovery
- Attorney Professional Liability
- Appellate Practice
- Litigation
- Construction

Bar & Court Admissions:

- Connecticut
- New York
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
- U.S. District Court, District of Connecticut
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of New York
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York

Memberships:

- Fellow, Connecticut Bar Foundation
- Connecticut Bar Association, House of Delegates
- Greater Bridgeport Bar Association
- Connecticut Bar Association
- American Bar Association
- Vice President and Treasurer of Board of Directors, Statewide Legal Services of Connecticut, Inc.
- Member of the Board of Trustees, Long Ridge School, Stamford, Connecticut

Recognition:

- Order of the Coif (1983)
- Listed as leading commercial litigation lawyer in Chambers USA, Chambers & Partners-Publishing (ChambersandPartners.com)

Prior Experience:

- Clerk to the Honorable Judith S. Kaye, Associate Judge of the New York Court of Appeals (1986-1988)
- Legal Aid Society, Criminal Appeals Bureau, New York City, NY (1983-1986)