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David Gelfand is a partner in the New York office of Milbank LLP and a member of the Firm's Litigation & Arbitration Group. A partner since 1996, he served from 2001 through 2009 as the Practice Group Leader of the Litigation Department. He joined the firm in 1987.

### Primary Focus & Experience

Mr. Gelfand's practice is highly diversified, with a concentration in complex civil litigation. He regularly represents financial institutions and corporations in class actions, securities and bankruptcy litigation cases. He has tried jury and non-jury trials in state and federal courts throughout the country and has extensive experience representing clients in fiduciary and estate litigation. Mr. Gelfand also has extensive experience representing financial institutions in US and international regulatory matters.

### Recognition & Accomplishments

Mr. Gelfand has been recognized as one of the leading lawyers in America by *Chambers USA*, *Benchmark Litigation*, *Legal 500 USA* and *New York Super Lawyers*. He has been described by clients as having "a heart for details and immers[ing] himself in the facts important to the matter." (*Legal 500 USA*)

Mr. Gelfand served on the Disciplinary Committee of the New York State Supreme Court, First Department, and currently serves on the Character & Fitness Committee. Mr. Gelfand is also a member of the American Bar Association, the DC Bar Association and the Association of the Bar of the City of New York, where he served on the Committee on Judicial Administration. He is a Member of the Dean's Board of Advisors for Vanderbilt University School of Law, is a member of the Board of Trustees of Friends Academy, and served as President of the Board of Trustees of The Green Vale School.

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### ADDITIONAL DETAILS

#### EDUCATION

Vanderbilt Law School, J.D.

Vanderbilt University, B.A.

ADMISSIONS

- New York
- District of Columbia
- US Supreme Court
- US Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit
- US Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit
- US Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit
- US Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
- US Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit
- US Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit
- US District Court for the Eastern District of New York
- US District Court for the Southern District of New York
- US District Court for the Eastern District of Wisconsin

EXPERIENCE

General Commercial Litigation

Litigation & Arbitration

Mutual Fund Litigation

Securities and Commodities Litigation

United States

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