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Curriculum Vitae

**JAY A. KATZ** is a graduate of George Washington University School of Law (J.D., 1967 with honors), where he served on the editorial staff of The Law Review, and New York University School of Law (LL.M., 1968). He is admitted to practice before the State and Federal Courts of the State of New York and is a member of the bar of the United States Supreme Court.

Prior to becoming Of Counsel with McElroy Deutsch in September, 2005, Mr. Katz was a member of the New York City law firms of Marchi Jaffe Steinberg Crystal Katz and Burke and Jacobs Persinger & Parker. Mr. Katz has extensive experience in litigating complex commercial law matters at both the trial and appellate court levels, including breach of contract, general corporate, real estate, banking, employment, copyright, trademark and breach of licensing agreements. He has also counseled clients in matters affecting business transactions, with a particular emphasis in the representation of authors, artists, designers and investors in the commercial exploitation of their intellectual property, including agency and representation agreements, trademark and copyright rights and general merchandising rights, involving toys, games and movie and television licenses, to name a few.

Mr. Katz recently completed an option and purchase agreement for the film, TV, and merchandising rights to a best selling science fiction book series for a world famous author. He has guided clients through the process of developing and marketing new technologies, including the preparation of non-disclosure and confidentiality agreements and the negotiation of complex licensing and royalty

agreements. Mr. Katz is a member of the American Bar Association, the New York State Bar Association and the Association of the Bar of the City of New York.

#### **Awards**

 Martindale-Hubbell AV Preeminent Rated (2023) - Martindale-Hubbell's highest peer rating standard. This is given to attorneys who are ranked at the highest level of professional excellence for their legal expertise, communication skills, and ethical standards by their peers. A description of the standard or methodology on which the accolade is based can be found <u>HERE</u> (No aspect of the advertisement has been approved by the Supreme Court).

#### **Industries**

Corporate

Financial Institutions

#### **Practices**

Banking & Financial Services
Corporate Transactions
Intellectual Property
Litigation

#### Education

University of Rhode Island (B.A. 1964)
George Washington University Law School (J.D. with honors 1967)
New York University School of Law (LL.M. 1968)

#### **Admissions**

State of New York
U.S. Court of Appeals, 2nd Circuit
U.S. District Court, EDNY
U.S. District Court, SDNY
Supreme Court of the United States

## **Memberships**

American Bar Association

New York State Bar Association
Association of the Bar of the City of New York