



PARTNER

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Douglas Hirsch is a founding member and co-head of Sadis & Goldberg's litigation department and has over 30 years of trial and appellate experience. Doug has successfully represented clients in complex securities and business litigation, including class action and derivative cases. Doug advises, litigates and arbitrates primarily for clients in the financial services and real estate industries, and therefore, has extensive experience in the areas of hedge fund, venture capital fund and private equity fund litigation, investment and securities fraud, business and partnership disputes, business divorce and dissolution, corporate governance, cross border insolvency litigation, fraudulent transfer and claw back claims, and real

estate litigation.

Doug started his career at Lord Day & Lord, Barrett Smith and then worked at Schulte Roth & Zabel before becoming one of the founding members of Sadis & Goldberg in 1996.

Doug received his J.D. in 1990 from Hofstra University School of law, where he was a member of the law review. He received his B.A. degree in 1987 from Union College. He is a member of the New York bar and has been admitted to the First, Second and D.C. Circuits and the United States District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York.



Experience:

Some select representative matters that Doug has handled include:

- \$25M recovery for a “fund of funds” that was defrauded by a hedge fund manager
- \$18.9M recovery on behalf of a group of investors in a CDO fund
- \$14.5M recovery for a minority member in a cannabis company. *Weisz v. Palliatech Florida LLC, et al.*, AAA Case No. 01-0004-5355.
- \$14.5 million settlement of shareholder derivative claims in Delaware. *SDF Funding and John Y. Wang v. Stanley B. Fry, et al.*, Delaware Chancery Court, 2017-0732-KSJM.
- \$10.7M recovery for appraisal petitioners. *In re Orchard Enterps. Inc. S’holder Litig.*, 88 A.3d 1 (Del. Ch. 2014).
- Summary judgment on breach of fiduciary duty and fraudulent transfer claims on behalf of a co-founder of the Bareburger restaurant chain. The summary judgment decision led to a large confidential settlement. *Stavroulakis v. Pelakanos et al.*, February 13, 2018 NY Slip Op 50180[U], 58 Misc.3d 1221(A), 106 N.Y.S.3d 725.
- Trial verdict completely dismissing multi-million dollar shareholder derivative lawsuit. *Moyal v. Sleppin et al.*, Index No. 601973/2007, Trial Dates Oct. 16-20, 2017, J. Bransten.
- Arbitration award completely dismissing multi-million dollar claim by investment advisor’s partner alleging he owned half of the investment advisor entity.
- Complete dismissal of a lawsuit for breach of fiduciary duty and breach of contract by a partner in an investment advisory firm against his former partner. *Goldberg v. GA Capital Partners LLC*, Index No. 652748/2015 (N.Y. Sup. 2015).
- Numerous trial and arbitration verdicts/awards on behalf of clients, including FINRA awards.
- Numerous appellate victories on behalf of clients.

PRACTICE AREAS

Litigation, Arbitration & Investigations

EDUCATION

J.D., Hofstra University School of Law, 1990, member of the Hofstra University Law Review

B.A., Union College, 1987

ADMISSIONS

New York

New Jersey

COURT ADMISSIONS

U.S. Court of Appeals: First Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals: Second Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals: District of Columbia

U.S. District Court: Southern District of New York

U.S. District Court: Eastern District of New York

U.S. District Court: District of New Jersey

HONORS & AWARDS

- New York Metro Super Lawyer, New York Metro Super Lawyer Magazine 2013 – 2024
- Top Attorneys in Metro New York, Selected by Peer Recognition and Professional Achievement, New York Times 2015
- 2024 - 2025 Chambers & Partners New York Regional Dispute Resolution Spotlight

News

- August 21, 2026 \$21M Deal Confirmed In Chinese E-Commerce Merger Suit
- July 17, 2026 Sadis & Goldberg ranked in Legal 500
- June 25, 2025 Sadis & Goldberg Published in Law360
- November 15, 2023 Sadis Litigation Group Listed in Chamber Regional Spotlight: Dispute Resolution
- November 14, 2022 U.S. District Court Finds LBC Token a Security
- October 14, 2022 Nine Sadis & Goldberg Attorneys Selected as New York Super Lawyers 2022
- October 27, 2021 Nine Sadis & Goldberg Attorneys Selected as New York Super Lawyers 2021
- May 6, 2021 Introducing The Sadis Summons
- December 15, 2020 Nine Sadis & Goldberg LLP Attorneys Selected as New York Super Lawyers
- January 21, 2020 James Ancone Promoted to the Title of Partner
- August 13, 2019 Sadis Defeats Motions to Dismiss Key Claims in Premium Point Lawsuit
- June 18, 2019 Sadis & Goldberg Formalizes Practice Group for Clients Navigating the Cannabis Industry
- April 18, 2019 Cannabis Federal Legislative Update
- April 15, 2019 Sadis & Goldberg LLP Expands Financial Services Litigation Practice
- January 2, 2019 Sadis Trial Team Wins Complete Defense Verdict
- September 13, 2018 Sadis & Goldberg LLP Attorneys Selected to the 2018 New York Super Lawyers and Rising Star Lists
- March 19, 2018 Sadis & Goldberg LLP Obtains Victory for Bareburger Co-Founder: A Cautionary Tale for Business Divorce