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### Michael M. Wiseman

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Michael Wiseman represents a broad range of financial firms, including domestic and international commercial banks, investment banks, insurance companies and rating agencies. His practice encompasses regulatory and enforcement issues, mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures, capital markets, new products initiatives, derivative products, payment system issues, consumer financial products, cybersecurity, and corporate governance and counseling. He is a graduate of Harvard College and the Harvard Law School and was an editor of *Harvard Law Review*.

Mr. Wiseman has a long history of advising global financial institutions on their largest transactions and their most sensitive regulatory matters. During the Financial Crisis, among other engagements, Mr. Wiseman advised AIG in connection with the \$85 billion emergency financing plan with the Federal Reserve and subsequent \$30 billion equity capital commitment facility. He then represented AIG in its capital restructuring and public offerings in connection with its exit from government ownership. He was recognized by *The American Lawyer* as a “Dealmaker of the Year” for his work on AIG. He also represented Goldman Sachs in its conversion to a bank holding company and UBS on a variety of matters, including obtaining SWF investments during the Financial Crisis.

Mr. Wiseman has also advised UBS on a variety of matters including enforcement, restructuring, acquisition, corporate governance and capital raising matters. He also represented UBS in connection with its creation of a new top tier holding company. He has represented a number of foreign banks in connection with the creation of U.S. intermediate holding companies and on the corporate governance issues related to those companies. His enforcement practice has included representations of Bank of New York Mellon, Standard Chartered, Lloyds Bank PLC, Deutsche Bank, AIG, Moodys, Goldman Sachs, UBS, SEB and BNP Paribas.

His mergers and acquisitions experience includes acquisitions, divestitures and joint ventures representing, among others, AIG,

#### PRACTICES & CAPABILITIES

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**Bank Regulatory**

**Corporate Governance**

**Cybersecurity**

**Consumer Financial Services**

**Financial Services**

**Broker-Dealer**

**Criminal Defense & Investigations**

**Insurance**

**Alternative Investment Management**

**Congressional Investigations**

**Payments**

**AML & Sanctions Enforcement and Compliance**

**Financial Services Mergers & Acquisitions**

#### EDUCATION

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**1978, Harvard Law School, J.D.**

**1975, Harvard University, A.B.**

#### BAR ADMISSIONS

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**Connecticut**

**New York**

**Massachusetts**

Bank of New York Mellon, U.S. Trust, UBS, Barclays, Dresdner Bank and SEB. His payment system representations include The Clearing House Association and CHIPS, as well as the creation of CLS. His trade association representations include The Clearing House Association, BAFT-IFSA and SIFMA.

Mr. Wiseman is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and the American Law Institute. He is a visiting lecturer in law at Yale Law School, where he teaches Corporate Crisis Management. His other activities include serving as Vice Chairman of the U. S. Naval Institute Foundation and as a trustee of the Archaeological Institute of America.

### **Recent Recognitions**

- *The American Lawyer*, “Dealmaker of the Year” (2009) – in its first-ever ranking of the Dealmakers of the Year, *The American Lawyer* ranked Mr. Wiseman #5 among the 25 attorneys selected
- *Chambers USA: America’s Leading Lawyers for Business* (Financial Services Regulation: Banking (Compliance), 2004–2018; Banking (Enforcement and Investigations), 2008–2018; Financial Institutions M&A, 2007–2018)
- *Chambers Global: The World’s Leading Lawyers for Business* (Banking and Finance: Mainly Regulatory, 2001–2003, 2007–2015, 2017–2018)
- *The Legal 500 United States* (2012–2016, 2018)
- *Euromoney’s Guide to the World’s Leading Lawyers* – Best of the Best (Banking, 2008, 2010)
- *Euromoney’s Guide to the World’s Leading Banking Lawyers* (1999, 2003, 2005, 2007, 2009)
- *IFLR1000* (2011–2018)
- *The International Who’s Who of Business Lawyers* (Banking, 2002–2006, 2009–2014)
- *PLC’s Global Counsel 3000* (Banking, 2001–2004)
- *The Best Lawyers in America* (Banking Law, 2001–2018; Financial Services Regulation Law, 2001–2018)
- *Super Lawyers* (Banking, 2006–2017)
- *Lawdragon 500: Leading Lawyers in America* (Banking, 2008–2012)
- *Who’s Who Legal* – Thought Leader for Banking (2017)