

John B. Orenstein Of Counsel



Litigation is diplomacy by other means.

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, assistant

OVERVIEW

John Orenstein represented hedge funds, individuals, and businesses in a wide variety of litigation for nearly 40 years.

John's specialties included securities, regulatory compliance, employment law, and professional liability. He represented institutional investors in fraud cases, RMBS cases, and bond indenture litigation.

An author and presenter, John has given seminars for the Hennepin County Bar Association, Minnesota Continuing Legal Education, and the National Society of Compliance Professionals.

His community service has included serving as president of Beth El Synagogue, a member of the boards of the Fund for Legal Aid and the Sholom low-income housing facilities, chair of Minnesota J Street, a FINRA arbitrator, and a mediator for the Minnesota Human Rights Department and through the Conflict Resolution Center of Minneapolis.

John continues to serve as a mediator for business and employment litigation. He is retired, however, from the practice of law.

EDUCATION

- J.D., Columbia Law School
- B.A., Oberlin College, Philosophy with High Honors, Phi Beta Kappa

B.Mus., Oberlin Conservatory of Music, Pi Kappa Lambda

EXPERIENCE

Ross & Orenstein, Partner

In-House counsel at financial institutions

U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia, The Honorable William B. Bryant, Law Clerk

ADMISSIONS

- State Bar of Minnesota
- State Bar of New York
- U.S. Courts of Appeals for the Second and Eighth Circuits



- U.S. District Court for the District of Minnesota
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern and Southern District Courts of New York
- U.S. District Court for the Central District Court of Illinois
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District Court of Michigan
- U.S. Tax Court

AFFILIATIONS

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Federal Bar Association
- Minnesota State Bar Association
- Hennepin County Bar Association

RECOGNITION

- Selected to Super Lawyers list, Minnesota Super Lawyers (2014-2023)
- Listed in The Best Lawyers in America (2022-2024)
- Recognized as Minnesota State Bar Association North Star Lawyer for pro bono service (2019, 2021)

COMMUNITY

- Fund for Legal Aid, Board and Executive Committee Member
- Twin Cities J Street, Chair
- Upper Mississippi Academy (public charter school), Former Board Member
- FINRA Arbitrator
- Beth El Synagogue, Past President
- Occasional jazz and cabaret musical performances

NEWS & UPDATES

- August 17, 2023 Best Lawyers Recognizes 16 Greene Espel Attorneys on the 2024 Best Lawyers and Best Lawyers:
 Ones to Watch Lists
- July 18, 2023 16 Greene Espel Attorneys Recognized on the Minnesota Super Lawyers and Rising Stars Lists
- November 6, 2019 Client Win: Greene Espel Client Wins Appellate Victory

EVENTS & PRESENTATIONS

• March 4, 2021 Event (3/4/2021): Intro to Litigation Funding CLE