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Professional:

2009-Present Of Counsel, Milberg LLP

1992-2008 Justice, Supreme Court of the State of New York, New York County

1980-1992 (Acting) Justice, Supreme Court, New York County

1993-2008 Commercial Division (formerly Commercial Part), of the Supreme Court, New York County

1987-1992 Civil Term, Supreme Court, New York County

1981-1987 Criminal Term, Supreme Court, New York County

1980 Civil Term, Supreme Court, New York County

1977-1980 Judge of the Civil Court, New York County

1956-1976 Engaged in private practice in Manhattan

1956-1963 Grossman & Grossman

1963-1974 Cahn & Ryp

1974-1976 Cahn & Levison

Education:

1953, B.A., City College of the City of New York

1956, J.D. (LL.B.), Harvard Law School

Personal Information:

Born: November 4, 1932

Married

Parent of four children

Professional Association Memberships:

Association of Justices of the Supreme Court  
New York State Bar Association  
New York County Lawyers Association  
New York State Trial Lawyers Association

Association of the Bar of the City of New York  
Jewish Lawyers Guild  
Council on Judicial Administration of the Association of the Bar of the City of New York

I have served on numerous committees of these organizations.

Community Activities:

Member of the Character and Fitness Committee of the Appellate Division, First Department.  
Member of the Council on Judicial Administration of the Association of the Bar of the City of New York.  
Member of the Board, Jewish Community Council of Washington Heights-Inwood  
Member of the Board of Directors, Self-Help, Inc. (1974-1982)  
Formerly, Public Member, Jewish Community Relations Council of New York  
Member, Community Board #12, Manhattan (1962-1973)  
Arbitrator, Small Claims Part of the Civil Court (1975-1976)

Notable Cases

Among the more notable recent cases over which I recently presided, are the consolidated cases stemming from the Bear Stearns merger with JP Morgan (In re Bear Stearns Litigation); litigation regarding the next upcoming America's Cup Yacht Race (Golden Gate Yacht Club v. Societe Nautique De Geneve); litigation stemming from the attempt to enjoin the construction of the new Yankee Stadium (Save Our Parks v. City of New York); and the consolidated state cases regarding the rebuilding of the World Trade Center site, relating to insurance coverage, etc. (World Trade Center Properties v Alliance Insurance; Port Authority v. Alliance Insurance).

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## Justice Herman Cahn

Justice Herman Cahn was first elected as Judge of the Civil Court of the City of New York in 1976. He subsequently served as an Acting Justice of the Supreme Court from 1980 until 1992, when he was elected to the Supreme Court. Throughout his decades on the bench, he principally handled civil cases, with the exception of 1981 until 1987, when he presided over criminal matters. Justice Cahn was instrumental in the creation of, and a founding Justice in, the Commercial Division within the New York State Supreme Court. He served as a Justice of the Commercial Division from its inception in 1993 until joining Milberg.

Among his most notable recent cases are the consolidated cases stemming from the Bear Stearns merger with JP Morgan (*In re Bear Stearns Litigation*); litigation regarding the upcoming America's Cup Yacht Race (*Golden Gate Yacht Club v. Societe Nautique De Geneve*); litigation stemming from the attempt to enjoin the construction of the new Yankee Stadium (*Save Our Parks v. City of New York*); and the consolidated state cases regarding the rebuilding of the World Trade Center site (*World Trade Center Properties v Alliance Insurance*; *Port Authority v. Alliance Insurance*).

Justice Cahn is a member of the Council on Judicial Administration of the Association of the Bar of the City of New York. He has also recently been appointed to the Character and Fitness Committee of the Appellate Division, First Department. He is on the Register of Mediators for the U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Southern and Eastern Districts of New York.

Before ascending the bench, Justice Cahn practiced law in Manhattan. He was first admitted to the New York bar in 1956. He is admitted to practice in numerous courts, including the New York State courts, the Southern District of New York and the United States Supreme Court.

### Articles & Publications

08/10/09 [NYLJ: Outside Counsel - Advantages And Pitfalls Of The Commercial Division](#)

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