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Pierre F. de Ravel d'Esclapon has practiced corporate, securities and finance law in New York since 1970. In recent years, Mr. de Ravel has been teaching and active as an arbitrator and mediator.

Mr. de Ravel has successfully managed major cross-border legal assignments requiring the selection and management of large teams of lawyers and other professionals in several jurisdictions. These assignments ranged from project financings to M&A to major litigations, such as international trade cases before the U.S. Department of Commerce and the International Trade Commission, appeals from these decisions. before the Court of International Trade, the Federal Circuit Court of Appeals and the United States Supreme Court. He has been appointed as counsel and arbitrator in AAA, ICC, FINRA and ad hoc arbitrations. With Canadian co-counsel, he led the successful defense of a major Quebec company in a \$4.5 billion AAA arbitration commenced by US claimants. He has argued cases before the New York Supreme Court, the New York Appellate Division, the Surrogate's Court, the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York, the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia, the Court of International Trade, the Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit, the Federal Circuit Court of Appeals and the United States Supreme Court.

Mr. de Ravel has advised clients in a wide variety of industries: finance and investments (banking, insurance, structured financing, derivatives, project finance), energy (power generation, electricity transmission and distribution, power marketing) electronics, chemicals, computer leasing, ship financing, medical devices, pharmaceuticals, metals (steel, carbon and specialty, non-ferrous alloys), fashion (licensing and IP litigation) and wholesale distribution.

Mr. de Ravel has handled transactions in, or with parties from, the following countries: Abu Dhabi, Algeria, Argentina, Australia, Bahrain, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Dubai, France, Germany, Greece, Guinea,

Hong Kong, Indonesia, India, Iran, Italy, Japan, Lebanon, Luxemburg, Mexico, Oman, Panama, Peru, Qatar, Romania, Russia, Saudi Arabia, Sharjah, Singapore, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Syria, United Kingdom, United States, Zambia.

Mr. de Ravel has also served as arbitrator in several cross-border disputes relating to computer software, manufacturer/distributor disputes, construction, pharmaceuticals (licensing and valuation of technology) and sports. Mr. de Ravel regularly acts as a commercial mediator.

Mr. de Ravel is a member of the following panels: Financial Industry Regulatory Agency (FINRA) Public Arbitrator, FINRA Mediators, United Nations Procurement Division Awards Review Board, World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), Special Master Appellate Division Second Judicial Department, NYS Supreme Court Commercial Division Alternative Dispute Resolution Panel, US Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York, Joint Committee on Fee Disputes and Conciliation, NYC Bar Mediator Panel on Disputes Between Lawyers, National Futures Association, CPR Panel of Distinguished Neutrals, CPR Panel on Banking, Accounting and Financial Services, ICC Arbitrator and ICC Panel of Mediators, World Trade Organization List of Practitioners Qualified for Appointment as Panelists , London Court of International Arbitration, AAA Commercial Panel and P.R.I.M.E. Finance Panel of Experts.

## **Board Experience**

- Senior Fellow, Camunico (Amsterdam and London) 2010- present
- L' Epervier, Corporate Finance Advisors, Member Strategic Advisory Board 2009–2012.
- Member, Steering Committee LeBoeuf, Lamb Greene & MacRae LLP (Predecessor of Dewey & LeBoeuf LLP), 2000-2003. The Steering Committee was our board of directors, helping the Chairman set and execute the firm's overall strategy and management.
- Compagnie d'Assurance des Risques Financiers (CARF), 1996— Present, Member Supervisory Board. CARF is a Paris-based credit insurance broker.
- J&L Specialty Steel Inc., 1990-1999, Member of Board of Directors; Chairman of Audit Committee; Member of Compensation Committee. J&L was then a New York Stock Exchange-listed company 51 percent -owned by Usinor (now Arcelor Mittal).

## **Charitable Board Activities**

- Trustee Chancellor Robert R. Livingston Library, New York, 2009–2018. Vice-Chair
  of the Board and Chair Investment Committee of the Board. Chair NY Operations
  Committee 2017-2018.
- New York French American Charter School, 2008-2011 co-founder and trustee
- Center for Business Law and International Trade Law, University of Montréal Law School, Board Member, 2006

  – Present

- Friends of the University of Montréal, Québec, Inc., Board Member, President and CEO, 2006–2018
- Friends of HEC, Board Member, 2006–2016; Vice-President 2007–2016
- HEC Alumni Association for New York, Inc., Board Member 2007–2016
- American Society for the French Order of Merit, Board Member and Vice President, 2004-2010.

# **Teaching Activities**

- Adjunct Professor, U.S. Securities Regulations, Université de Montréal Law School 2011-present
- Visiting Professor, Corporate Governance, HEC-MBA Program, Jouy-en-Josas, France, 2007

  — Present

## **Awards and Recognitions**

- Appointed Chevalier de l'Ordre national de la Légion d'honneur by the Président of France, 2007
- Named New York Super Lawyer for Corporate and Business Law, 2006-2012.
- Appointed Chevalier de l'Ordre national du Mérite by the French Government, 1999
- Appointed Conseiller du Commerce Extérieur by the French Government, 1985, a position Mr. de Ravel still holds.

# **Employment**

- Senior Advisor, Tegris Advisors Inc. New York City 2012- 2015
- Dewey & LeBoeuf LLP, Of Counsel 2007–2012
- LeBoeuf, Lamb, Greene & MacRae LLP, Senior Partner, 1992-2007
- Donovan Leisure Newton & Irvine, New York, Partner, 1984-1992
- Windels Marx Davies & Ives, New York, Associate and Partner, 1976-1984
- Carrier Corp., Syracuse, NY, Chief International Counsel, 1972-1976
- Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft, New York, Associate, 1970-1972

### **Education**

- Harvard Law School, 1970, LL.M.
- Université de Montréal, 1969, Licence en droit
- Université de Besançon, 1965, C.E.L.G. Lettres Modernes
- Ecole des Hautes Etudes Commerciales (HEC) 1965-1966
- Université de Besançon, 1962, B. Math.

### Languages

- French, English and German
- French Citizen, US Green Card holder

#### **Professional Societies**

 ABA Section Dispute Resolution-Arbitration Committee/ Mediation-Reflective Practice Group/International/Securities in ADR

- ABA Section of International Law-International Arbitration Committee/Int'l M&A
- ABA Business Law: Banking Law/Corporate Governance/ Dispute Resolution
- ABA Litigation Section
- NYSBA: DR Section, Int'l Disputes Resolution Committee; International Section, ADR Committee of the Commercial and Federal Litigation Section and Business Law Section-Securities Regulations Committee
- New York City Bar: ADR Committee (Chair, Subcommittee on ADR in IP and Technology) and Arbitration Committee.
- IBA, Arbitration, Mediation and International Trade Committees