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Richard H. Epstein is Deputy Managing Partner of Sills Cummis & Gross and Co-Chair of the Firm's Litigation Department, which received the *Benchmark Litigation* award for "New Jersey Firm of the Year" for seven consecutive years (2017-2023), and was named the *New Jersey Law Journal* "2020 General Litigation Department of the Year, Midsize," "2019 General Litigation Department of the Year, Midsize" and "2016 General Litigation Department of the Year, Midsize." See *Award Methodology*. No aspect of this advertisement has been approved by the Supreme Court of New Jersey. He is lead counsel to Fortune 500 corporations and financial institutions in litigation involving complex commercial issues, including business tort and lender liability. He regularly appears in federal and state courts in various jurisdictions. Mr. Epstein also counsels the Firm and clients on legal ethics issues. Mr. Epstein was previously associated with Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP, where he was a senior litigation associate focusing on complex commercial litigation.

Mr. Epstein is a member of the Firm's Management Committee. He has been selected for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America* since 2014 (Commercial Litigation; Litigation - Banking and Finance) published by Best Lawyers; *Benchmark Litigation: America's Leading Litigation Firms and Attorneys* since 2016 published by Euromoney Institutional Investor PLC; the 2022 edition of *New York Metro Super Lawyers* (Business Litigation; General Litigation) published by Thompson Reuters; and *New Jersey Super Lawyers* from 2014-2021 (Business Litigation; Employment Litigation: Defense) published by Thompson Reuters. See *Award Methodology*. No aspect of this advertisement has been approved by the Supreme Court of New Jersey.

Practices

Litigation

Banking and Finance Litigation
Estate Litigation

Court Admissions

U.S. District Court, District of New Jersey

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

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

U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Wisconsin

U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Michigan

U.S. Court of Appeals, Federal Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals, Third Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals, Second Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals, First Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals, Sixth Circuit

Representative Decisions

Bankers Conseco Life Ins. Co. v. Wilmington Trust, N.A. 195 A.D. 3d 109 (N.Y. App. 1st Dep't 2021)

April 20, 2021

Bankers Conseco Life Ins. Co. v. Egan-Jones Ratings Co., 193 A.D. 3d 539 (N.Y. App. 1st Dep't 2021)

April 20, 2021

Bankers Conseco Life Ins. Co. v. KPMG, 189 A.D. 3d 402 (N.Y. App. 1st Dep't 2020)

December 1, 2020

Washington National Insurance Co. v. OBEX Group LLC, and Randall Katzenstein, U.S. Court of Appeals Case No. 19-225 (2nd Cir. May 1, 2020)

May 1, 2020

Bankers Conseco Life Ins. Co. et al. v. Feuer et al., 2018 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 43828 (S.D.N.Y. 2018)

March 13, 2018

Sills Cummis & Gross P.C.

My Imagination, LLC v. M.Z. Berger & Co., Inc., et al., U.S. Court of Appeals Case No. 17-1218 (6th Cir. Feb. 16, 2018)

February 16, 2018

My Imagination, LLC v. M.Z. Berger & Co., Inc., et al., 2017 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 11944 (E.D. Mich. 2017)

January 30, 2017

In re Liquid Aluminum Sulfate Antitrust Litigation MDL No. 2687

February 4, 2016

Cohen v. Perelman, 2015 N.J. Super. Unpub. LEXIS 657 (2015)

March 16, 2015

Juster Acquisition Co., LLC v. North Hudson Sewerage Authority, 2014 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 8703 (D.N.J. 2014)

January 23, 2014

Juster Acquisition Co., LLC v. North Hudson Sewerage Authority, 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 18372 (D.N.J. 2013)

February 11, 2013

EMC Corporation v. Emanuel Arturi, et al., 655 F.3d 75; 2011 U.S. App. LEXIS 17834 (1st Cir. 2011)

August 26, 2011

EMC Corporation v. Emanuel Arturi, et al., 2010 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 132621 (D. Mass. 2010)

December 15, 2010

DialAmerica Marketing, Inc. v. Citicorp Credit Services, Inc., 2008 N.J. Super. Unpub. LEXIS 3039

November 19, 2008

National Elevator Cab & Door Corp. v. H & B, Inc., 2008 U.S. App. Lexis 13644 (2d Cir. 2008)

June 27, 2008

National Elevator Cab & Door Corp. v. H & B, Inc., 2008 WL 207843 (E.D.N.Y. 2008)

January 24, 2008

Salovaara v. Eckert, 2005 WL 41560 (N.Y. Sup.), 2005 N.Y. Slip Op. 50010 (U)

January 4, 2005

Gardner v. Bank of America Nat. Trust and Savings Ass'n, 2004 WL 5211176 (N.J. Super. A.D.)

December 27, 2004

Sills Cummis & Gross P.C.

Salovaara v. Eckert, 2004 N.J. Super. LEXIS 497

May 25, 2004

Salovaara v. SSP Advisors, L.P., et al., 2003 WL 23190391 (Del. Ch. 2003) (affirmed, 2004 WL 1737103 (Del. Supr.))

December 22, 2003

Salovaara v. Eckert, 2003 WL 23517124 (N.J. Ch. 2003)

January 13, 2003

Salovaara v. Eckert, 2002 WL 32396171 (N.J. Ch. 2002)

September 24, 2002

The Rockport Co., Inc. v. Deer Stages, Inc., 65 F.Supp.2d 189 (S.D.N.Y. 1999)

September 16, 1999

Abbate v. DMR Trecom, Inc., 1999 WL 673341 (S.D.N.Y. 1999)

August 27, 1999

Elliott Associates, L.P. v. The Republic of Peru, 176 F.R.D. 93 and 961 F.Supp. 83 (S.D.N.Y. 1997)

October 10, 1997

In re Bell Communications Research, Inc., 1997 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 191

January 10, 1997

Elliott Associates, L.P. v. The Republic of Peru, 948 F. Supp. 1203 (S.D.N.Y. 1996)

December 12, 1996

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Press Releases

Sills Cummis & Gross Named “New Jersey Firm of the Year” 2023 by Benchmark Litigation

March 16, 2023

Sills Cummis & Gross Recognized in 2023 Edition of Benchmark Litigation

October 5, 2022

In the News

Versace Owner Fights Bid To Dismiss COVID-19 Coverage Suit

Law360

June 4, 2021

Sills Cummis & Gross P.C.

Versace Owner Says Routine Cleaning Can't Stop COVID Harm

Law360

March 23, 2021

KPMG Can't Duck Ponzi Fraud Claims, NY Appeals Court Says

Law360

December 2, 2020

'A Priority to Understand Each Client's Business Goals' Drives Success at Sills Cummis

New Jersey Law Journal

August 31, 2020

In Battle Over Control of Energy Company, Judge Refuses to Disqualify Sills Cummis

New Jersey Law Journal

March 18, 2020

Sills Cummis 'Built on a Singular Idea,' Litigation Group Says of Strong 2018

New Jersey Law Journal

June 3, 2019

Reinsurance Execs Can Arbitrate \$50M RICO Suit, Judge Says

Law360

March 16, 2018

The Biggest New Jersey Cases Of 2016

Law360

December 21, 2016

New Jersey Law Journal 2016 General Litigation Department of the Year Winner, Midsized Firm

New Jersey Law Journal

November 14, 2016

Don't Waste Your Time—Settlement and Mediation Techniques You Can Use Now

LexisNexis Corporate Law Advisory

September 4, 2015

Presentations

Northeast Corporate Counsel Forum 2016

HB Litigation Conferences and Veritext

April 21, 2016

Northeast Corporate Counsel Forum 2015

HB Litigation Conferences and Veritext

April 20, 2015

Sills Cummis & Gross P.C.

Northeast Corporate Counsel Forum 2014

HB Litigation Conferences and Veritext

June 25, 2014

Walking the Tightrope of Professional Responsibility for Corporate Counsel

Sills Cummis & Gross P.C.

May 13, 2010

CLE - Timekeeping for Attorneys

Sills Cummis & Gross P.C.

September 2, 2009

CLE - An Ethics Primer

Sills Cummis & Gross P.C.

November 26, 2007

Annual Ethics Marathon

Association of Corporate Counsel - Greater New York Chapter

December 16, 2005

CLE - An Ethics Primer

Sills Cummis Epstein & Gross P.C.

April 14, 2004

CLE - An Ethics Primer

Sills Cummis Epstein & Gross P.C.

July 12, 2001

Publications

Win Your Commercial Arbitration by Using Section 7 of FAA

New York Law Journal

September 10, 2020

Courts Are Closed and You Have Business Dispute ... What Are Your Options?

ROI-NJ

March 22, 2020

In New York Lending Agreements, The Contract Rules

Law360

April 26, 2017

How to Avoid Unwanted Oral "Settlement"

Law360

January 13, 2015

Sills Cummis & Gross P.C.

Stop the Games: Using Deposition Testimony for an Out-of-State Witness

New Jersey Law Journal

December 2, 2013

All Hail the Mighty Arbitration Provision

New Jersey Law Journal

April 30, 2012

The New Jersey Consumer Fraud Act Has Limits in Commercial Transactions

The Metropolitan Corporate Counsel

January 1, 2012

Why a Non-Solicitation Provision May Not Protect You from Losing Customers (and What You Can Do About It)

Bloomberg Law Reports - Corporate and M&A Law Report

October 3, 2011

Fighting off Demands for Adequate Assurances

Bloomberg Law Reports - New York Law

November 22, 2010

How to Rebuff Lender Liability Lawsuits

The Metropolitan Corporate Counsel

July 1, 2010

Rankings and Recognition

Selected for inclusion in:

- *The Best Lawyers in America*®* 2014-2023, Commercial Litigation; Litigation - Banking and Finance
- *Benchmark Litigation: America's Leading Litigation Firms and Attorneys*®* 2016-2023
- *New Jersey Super Lawyers*®* 2014-2021, Business Litigation; Employment Litigation: Defense
- *New York Metro Super Lawyers*®* 2022, Business Litigation; General Litigation

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Affiliations

Professional Affiliations

Sills Cummis & Gross P.C.

Member, American Bar Association

Member, New York State Bar Association

Member, New Jersey Bar Association

Chair, Northeast Corporate Counsel Forum 2014, 2015 and 2016

Community Affiliations

Former Member of the Board of Trustees, Child's Way Jewish Montessori School

Past President and Member of the Board of Trustees, Congregation Shomrei Emunah

Education

J.D., New York University School of Law, cum laude, Order of the Coif

B.A., Brandeis University, magna cum laude

Bar Admissions

New Jersey

New York