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With over a decade of experience in government and private practice, Matthew Kulkin is well positioned to help clients navigate the complex legislative, regulatory, compliance and enforcement issues faced by financial market participants. Mr. Kulkin joined the firm in 2022 from another international law firm where he co-chaired its financial services practice group. Before that, he served as the Director of the US Commodity Futures Trading Commission's Division of Swap Dealer and Intermediary Oversight.

As Director of the CFTC's Division of Swap Dealer and Intermediary Oversight, Mr. Kulkin led a broad range of CFTC activities, including rulemakings and enforcement matters regarding swap dealers, intermediaries, trading venues, and investment funds. During his time at the commission, Kulkin was also deeply involved in cases of first impression regarding cryptocurrencies and digital assets.

Mr. Kulkin often advises clients on newly adopted rules and areas of increased regulatory focus in the commodity futures and derivatives market. Throughout his years in private practice, Mr. Kulkin's clients have included asset managers, banks, broker-dealers, energy companies, financial market utilities, insurance companies, non-bank financial institutions and trading venues.

Mr. Kulkin also regularly counsels clients on compliance issues with other federal regulatory and enforcement authorities, including the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Federal Reserve, the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, the US Treasury Department and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. Mr. Kulkin also has experience analyzing and providing strategic advice on financial services legislative proposals.

Professional Activities:

Mr. Kulkin writes and speaks frequently on Dodd-Frank Act implementation and financial

services regulation issues. Mr. Kulkin also previously served as Co-Chair of the Derivatives, Securitization and Project Finance Committee of the District of Columbia Bar Association.

Solutions

Blockchain and
Cryptocurrency
FinTech

Securities Enforcement

Broker-Dealer Compliance and
Regulation

Futures and Derivatives

Financial Services

Public Policy and Legislative
Affairs

Credentials

EDUCATION

JD, George Washington
University Law School, 2005

Thurgood Marshall Scholar

BA, Tufts University, 2002

ADMISSIONS

District of Columbia

GOVERNMENT EXPERIENCE

Commodity Futures Trading
Commission

Division of Swap Dealer and
Intermediary Oversight

Director