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Upon graduation from law school, Mr. Perles worked on Capitol Hill for several years. In 1981, after serving as a subcommittee counsel and staff attorney and legislative director for Senator Ted Stevens (R-Alaska), Mr. Perles began his private practice.

Mr. Perles has litigated matters before Supreme Court of the United States, and the United States courts of appeals and district courts across the country. His litigation practice focuses primarily on cases involving the immunity of foreign sovereigns and has included several ground breaking cases against foreign states for their complicity in the Holocaust and in acts of international terrorism. His litigation portfolio recently expanded to include several actions against multi-national banks for their role in the facilitation of acts of international terrorism. Notable recent decisions include a successful turnover action against \$1.9 billion in Iranian central bank funds which had been money laundered into the United States through an international clearing house entity located in Luxembourg. He has also represented clients before the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission of the United States.

Mr. Perles has extensive experience in foreign commercial negotiations in Africa and Asia. He has participated in arbitration proceedings, settlement negotiations in a multi-forum contract disputes and performed legal risk assessments for United States companies planning international ventures.

Mr. Perles frequently lectures at law schools and to groups of lawyers about his practice. Mr. Perles is also actively involved in a charitable foundation established by his family. He has been honored with the Brandeis Award from the American Jewish Congress in 2003, the Rabbinical Alliance of America's Humanitarian Award in 1997, the 1976 Symbol of Hokkaido Medal, in Sapporo, Japan. He currently serves as the Williamson Fellow and Adjunct Professor of Law at the College of William & Mary Law School.

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