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Mr. Chesler received his law degree, *cum laude*, from New York University Law School, where he was elected to the Order of the Coif (the national honor society for law students), was Topics Editor of the Law Review, served as a junior fellow at the Center for International Studies (at which he co-authored two published articles on aspects of international law), twice received the John Norton Pomeroy Prize for academic excellence and was awarded the Benjamin Butler Prize.

Following his graduation, Mr. Chesler served as law clerk to Judge Inzer B. Wyatt of the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York. He joined Cravath as a litigation associate in 1976 and became a partner in 1982. Mr. Chesler became head of the Litigation Department in 1996. He was elected Deputy Presiding Partner in November 2005, and Presiding Partner effective January 1, 2007.

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Mr. Chesler has been recognized as a leading litigator in several practice areas by numerous professional publications, including *Chambers USA*, *Chambers Global*, *The Best Lawyers in America*, *The American Lawyer*, *Benchmark Litigation* and *The Legal 500*.

Mr. Chesler is an adjunct professor of law at New York University Law School and has been an adjunct faculty member at NYU's College of Arts and Science, where he has taught an honors seminar entitled, "Constitutional Rights in Times of National Crisis". He is a recipient of the Outstanding Contribution to the Legal Profession Award from Chambers & Partners (2009); the Anti-Defamation League's 2007 Human Relations Award; and the Office of the Appellate Defender's Gould Award for Outstanding Oral Advocacy (2006). Currently, Mr. Chesler serves on the New York Regional Board of the Anti-Defamation League and is Chair of its New York Professional Partners Program. He was recently appointed a Trustee of the Supreme Court Historical Society.

Mr. Chesler received an A.B. degree, with highest honors in History, from New York University, after which he earned an M.A. in Russian Area Studies at Hunter College. He is a member of the Board of Trustees of New York University and of the New York University School of Law. Mr. Chesler is also a member of NYU's Board of Overseers of the Faculty of Arts and Science and founder and Chairman of LAMP (the Lawyer Alumni Mentoring Program), which provides mentoring and curriculum enrichment programs to prelaw students. He has received two awards from the University, the Alumni Distinguished Service Award (2001) and the Alumni Meritorious Service Award (2004).

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