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Columbia Law School, JD, 1998
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Wally has over fifteen years of experience serving as an internal law firm advisor in the area of professional responsibility. As part of his internal advisory role, Wally identifies ethical conflicts, develops appropriate solutions in collaboration with firm attorneys, and facilitates resolution of issues regarding new client and matter intake, including outside counsel guidelines, engagement letters, and conflict waivers.

Publications, Presentations & Recognitions

Publications

- "New York Rules of Professional Conduct," *Oxford University Press Treatise*, Executive Editor, Author and Rules Editor (Fall 2010)
- "Legal Ethics Question of the Week," *BNA Corporate Counsel Weekly* Vol. 24, No. 48, p.383, Contributor (Dec. 16, 2009)
- "Who is the 'Lawyer' Governed by New York's Disciplinary Rules?," *Bloomberg Law Reports*, Co-Author (Jun. 2009)
- "Ethics Opinion Makes Exception to Deceit Rule," *New York Law Journal*, Principal Drafter (Jun. 5, 2007)
- "NYCLA Comments on the Advertising Amendments to the Lawyer's Code of Professional Responsibility as Proposed by the Presiding Justices of the Appellate Division," Principal Drafter (Aug. 22, 2006)
- "Guidelines on NYCLA's Ethics Hotline," *New York County Lawyer*, Vol. 2, No. 7, Co-Author (Sept. 2006)

Presentations

- "Prof. Andrew Kent's Professional Responsibility Course on Professional Responsibility in Large Law Firms," Guest Speaker, Columbia Law School, New York, NY (Nov. 28, 2018)
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"Inconvenient or Irreconcilable? An Interactive Look at Conflicts of Interest," Panelist, Aon Risk Solutions, Aon Law Firm Symposium, Fairmont Chicago Millennium Park, Chicago, IL (Oct. 16, 2014)

- "The Ethics Game Show: Matrimonial and Family Law Edition 2013," Panelist, Practising Law Institute (Mar. 28, 2013)
- "Ethics 2013: Who, How, Why, What (and Not): Marking a Path Through Ethical Pitfalls," Panelist, New York State Bar Association, Committees on Professional Ethics and Continuing Legal Education (Jun. 6, 2013)
- "Ethics in the Electronic Age," Panelist. Departmental Disciplinary Committee, Supreme Court, Appellate Division, First Judicial Department (Jan. 19, 2012)

Boards, Memberships & Certifications

Boards

- New York County Lawyers Association: Member of the Ethics Institute Board of Advisors (Jun. 2008- Dec. 2019); Member of the Board of Directors (Jun. 2008-May 2012)

Memberships

- New York State Bar Association: Committee on Professional Ethics, Chair; former House of Delegates Member
- American Bar Association: Center for Professional Responsibility; Business Law Section; Professional Conduct/Firm Counsel Project
- Association of the Bar of the City of New York: Committee on Professional Responsibility Chair (Sept. 2017-Aug. 2020), Secretary (Sept. 2014-Aug. 2017); Professional Ethics Committee Member (Sept. 2011 – Jun. 2014)

Bar Admissions

New York