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Areas of Practice

Arbitration | Construction Dispute Resolution | Litigation/Trial Practice | Mediation | Real Estate Law | Real Estate Leasing

Victor M. Metsch is Of Counsel working on Pro Bono Projects in the Litigation, Alternative Dispute Resolution and Appellate Practices of Smith, Gambrell & Russell, LLP.

Mr. Metsch practice was primarily in the area of commercial dispute resolution, including arbitration, mediation, appeals work, and litigation in the Federal, State and Surrogate's Courts.

He developed extensive experience in the areas of banking, title work, brokerage, construction, architecture and engineering as they apply to the purchase, sale, financing, design, development, construction, renovation and leasing of commercial and residential real properties.

Mr. Metsch representations included cooperatives, condominiums, banks, institutional lenders, developers, landlords and tenants. His practice was also in the area of employment law and litigation where representations includes both employers and employees. Mr. Metsch is deeply committed to giving back to the community, dedicating significant time to pro bono work

He served on various committees of the New York City Bar Association such as the Committee on State Courts of Superior Jurisdiction; the Committee on Professional and Judicial Ethics; the Committee on Professional Discipline; the Committee on Professional Responsibility; and the Committee on the Judiciary. He also served on various court committees of the New York State Bar Association.

He received his B.A. from the New York State School of Industrial and Labor Relations at Cornell University in 1966 and his J.D. from the New York University School of Law in 1969.

Mr. Metsch is active in community affairs, having been a member of the Great Neck Board of Zoning Appeals, counsel to AIPAC in New York City, a trustee, officer and counsel to Temple Beth-El of Great Neck, and a Member of the Democratic Party County Committee in Nassau, Suffolk and Westchester.

Admissions

New York

U.S. District Court Eastern District of New York

U.S. District Court Southern District of New York

U.S. Court of Appeals, Second Circuit

Recognitions

2025 Celebrate Pro Bono Award, *New York County Lawyers Association*

2023 New York State Unified Court System, Office of Justice Initiatives, Award for Outstanding and Dedicated Pro Bono Service

2021 Pro Bono Attorney of the Year: New York City Bar Association

2021 Top Rated Lawyer as designated by Martindale-Hubbell®

The Best Lawyers in America®, Litigation – Real Estate, New York (2021-2023, 2025-2026)

AV Preeminent® Peer Review Rated by Martingale-Hubbell®

New York Metro Super Lawyers - ADR (2014)