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## Education

J.D., Georgetown University  
Law Center, 1979

B.A., University of Virginia, 1976

## Bar Admissions

District of Columbia

## Government Service

Legal Counsel to Commissioner  
Robert R. Davis, Staff Attorney,  
U.S. Commodity Futures Trading  
Commission (1979-1989)

Maureen Donley focuses on derivatives and regulatory counseling. She was active in the development of the Dodd-Frank Act's swap market regulations and regularly advises clients on the many and far-reaching consequences of the new regime created for swaps and the over-the-counter derivatives markets by Dodd-Frank. Ms. Donley has significant experience drafting and negotiating various master and customized agreements for swaps, futures, forwards, options, collars, foreign exchange and other derivatives.

Ms. Donley also has counseled investment managers, pension funds, exchanges, corporations and hedge funds on compliance with the U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC) and the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) regulations, including registration, trading limits, risk management, advertising, fund formation and investment company status issues. In addition, she advises on prudence, fiduciary, prohibited transactions and other ERISA requirements as they relate to derivatives and securities.

With more than 30 years of derivatives experience, including senior legal positions at the CFTC, Ms. Donley successfully has represented clients on numerous exemptive applications and no-action requests before the CFTC, the SEC, the U.S. Department of Labor and other agencies. She has been named in *The Legal 500 U.S.*