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Education

J.D., Georgetown University, 1985
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Bar Admissions

New York
New Jersey

Certifications

Certified Public Accountant,
New York, 1981

Gregory A. Fernicola is global co-chair of the firm's Opinion Committee. He is recognized as one of the world's leading capital markets lawyers, and clients from a broad range of industries call on him for their most important matters.

Mr. Fernicola represents issuers, investors and investment banks in a variety of domestic and cross-border capital markets matters, including investment-grade and high-yield debt financings, equity and equity derivative product financings, hybrid securities transactions, leveraged buyouts, exchange offers and debt restructurings, recapitalizations and spin-offs. Mr. Fernicola also counsels corporate clients on a regular basis with respect to corporate governance and securities law matters. His practice includes advising on securities law matters related to blockchain and digital asset matters.

Mr. Fernicola repeatedly has been selected for inclusion in *Chambers Global: The World's Leading Lawyers for Business*, *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business* and *The Best Lawyers in America*. He received a 2019 Burton Award for Distinguished Legal Writing and was selected as a 2015 BTI Client Service All-Star by The BTI Consulting Group for providing outstanding client service. Mr. Fernicola was named *Best Lawyers'* 2013 New York City Securities/Capital Markets Lawyer of the Year and 2013 New York City Securities Regulation Lawyer of the Year. He also is recognized as one of the world's leading capital markets lawyers in the *International Financial Law Review's Expert Guide* and *IFLR1000*.

Mr. Fernicola has been active in developing innovative financial products. In addition to handling many initial public offerings, follow-on equity offerings, and investment grade and high-yield debt financings, he has worked on many exotic financing structures, including equity unit, trust preferred, capital securities, regulatory capital instruments and hybrid securities.

Associations

Member, Association of the Bar of the City of New York, Financial Reporting Committee

Member, TriBar Opinion Committee

Member, American Bar Association, Legal Opinions Committee

Member, American Bar Association, Subcommittee on Securities Law Opinions

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