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Education

J.D., University of Chicago Law School, 1995

Ph.D., University of Chicago, 1992

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Bar Admissions

New York
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Experience

Assistant Secretary for Financial Institutions, U.S. Department of the Treasury (2011-2014)

Board Member, National Cooperative Bank (2011-2014) (Appointed by President Obama and confirmed by the Senate)

Director, Securities Investor Protection Corporation (2012-2014)

Senior Counsel to the Chairman of the Commodities Futures Trading Commission (2009-2011)

Law Clerk, Hon. Bruce M. Selya, U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit (1998-1999)

Cyrus Amir-Mokri handles complex litigation and investigations, and provides strategic advice to clients on global regulatory matters, compliance and operational risk.

Mr. Amir-Mokri rejoined the firm in 2014 after serving as the Assistant Secretary for Financial Institutions at the U.S. Department of the Treasury, where he was responsible for developing and coordinating policy on issues affecting financial institutions. Before his service at Treasury, Mr. Amir-Mokri was Senior Counsel to the chairman of the Commodities Futures Trading Commission (CFTC). He participated in both the passage and implementation of the Dodd-Frank Act and international financial reform.

In addition to working with U.S. and international financial regulatory agencies on issues of financial stability, market structure, and safety and soundness, Mr. Amir-Mokri was responsible for developing and coordinating Treasury's policy on insurance, consumer financial services and cybersecurity. At Treasury, Mr. Amir-Mokri's most recent policy development efforts focused on the impact of emerging information and telecommunications technology on financial services. In particular, he supervised the agency's efforts to develop a framework for cybersecurity policy and to coordinate the federal government's response to incidents in the financial sector. He also supervised Treasury's report on the modernization of insurance regulation.

Prior to his recent government service, Mr. Amir-Mokri was a partner at Skadden representing clients in complex and appellate litigation. Although his work emphasized representing financial services clients in federal antitrust, securities and regulatory matters, he also represented clients outside the financial services sector in general corporate and commercial litigation.

At Treasury, Mr. Amir-Mokri was the recipient of the Alexander Hamilton Award. He was included on the Carnegie Corporation's "Great Immigrants: The Pride of America" list in 2012 and is a recipient of the Ellis Island Medal of Honor. He also is a life member of the Council on Foreign Relations.