

HOWARD Z. GOPMAN, ESQ. Northfield, Illinois



Howard Z. Gopman, Esq. is a skilled arbitrator and mediator with over twenty-five years experience as a neutral. Mr. Gopman has extensive experience resolving complex, multiparty, business/commercial, securities, real estate, trust & estate, and labor issues.

Experience and Qualifications

- Mr. Gopman has successfully resolved numerous complex litigated matters.
- 40 year legal career with an emphasis in securities, general corporate/business/commercial, real estate, estate planning, asset protection, venture capital

investments, franchise law, and oil and gas.

- Principal Shareholder in private practice with Howard Z. Gopman & Associates, Ltd. Mr. Gopman has continuously practiced law in the Chicago Area since 1969.
- 2 + years employed as trial attorney with the Federal Trade Commission in Washington D.C.
- Successful resolution of the following types of cases:
- Teacher Dismissal and Disciplinary Matters
- Securities
- Business / Commercial
- Real Estate
- Franchise

Representative Matters

Mr. Gopman has acted as counsel and arbitrator in numerous cases before the Circuit Courts of Illinois, the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. (FINRA), the Federal District Courts in Illinois, the American Arbitration Association, and the National Arbitration Forum and the National Futures Association. He has also been a Hearing Officer for the Illinois Office of Education for approximately twenty years. These matters include but are not limited to:

- Cases in securities fraud under both federal and state statutory and common law.
- Cases for breach of employment agreements and covenants not to compete.
- Cases for specific performance of real estate contracts and ancillary damages.
- Cases for breach of contract and ancillary matters.
- Class actions for securities fraud and ancillary matters.
- Class actions for consumer fraud and ancillary matters.
- Cases involving the termination of tenured teachers.
- Controversies involving buy-sell agreements.
- Controversies involving franchise agreements and ancillary matters.

Honors, Memberships and Professional Activities

- Adjunct faculty, Roosevelt University, Chicago, IL: Corporation Law
- Adjunct faculty, George Washington University, Washington D.C. Real Estate Law
- Instructor: Person-Wolinsky C.P.A. review course, Chicago, IL Business Law
- Instructor: Real Estate Education Corporation, Chicago, IL Real Estate Law
- Instructor: "Estate Planning and Living Trust Seminar" and "How to Make Money in Real Estate Syndication After Tax Reform Seminar"
- Law Columnist for Metro Chicago Real Estate, largest circulation real estate newsweekly in the United States
- Publications: Mr. Gopman has authored many published articles. Some of those topics include:
 Offshore trusts, joint ventures, Illinois Small Company Offering (SCOR), RICO, Attorney's right to
 sue for retaliatory discharge, environmental issues, real estate contracts, Franchise Disclosure Act of
 1987, syndication, New Tax Reform Act of 1984, federal securities laws and the oil business, etc.
 For a complete list of Mr. Gopman's publications, call Resolute Systems, Inc. and a copy will be
 mailed or faxed to you.
- Member: American Bar Association, Illinois State Bar Association (Corporation and Securities Law Section Council) Real Estate and Education Law Sections
- Arbitrator: Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service
- Arbitrator: Financial Industry Regulatory Association, Inc.
- Arbitrator: American Arbitration Association
- National Futures Association
- Hearing Officer: Illinois Office of Education
- Licensed Real Estate Broker: Illinois
- Admitted to Practice: Illinois and Wisconsin

Background and Education

- University of Wisconsin, B.S. Economics; Recipient of Non-resident tuition scholarships;
- University of Wisconsin, MBA Finance, Banking and Investments;
- University of Wisconsin, J.D.