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STEVEN M. BIERMAN is an independent mediator, arbitrator, and dispute resolution advisor, and is the founder of Bierman ADR LLC. He is the former leader of the New York Litigation Group at Sidley Austin LLP. Steve has 45 years' experience in helping parties and clients achieve creative and practical solutions to a wide range of complex business and other disputes.

Steve is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (FCIArb), and is accredited as a mediator by the Centre for Effective Dispute Resolution (CEDR). Steve serves as a neutral on several ADR panels, including for the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York, where he is a member of its Mediator Advisory Committee, and for the Commercial Division of the Supreme Court of the State of New York. Steve is co-chair of the Mediation Committee of the CPR International Institute for Conflict Prevention and Resolution and is a member of the CPR Council. He recently was co-chair of the American Bar Association's 2021 Advanced Mediation Skills & Advocacy Institute.

Steve previously was a partner at Sidley Austin LLP, where he headed or co-headed the New York Litigation Group for 25 years and was a co-leader of Sidley's global Commercial Litigation and Disputes practice and a member of the firm's Executive Committee. Over four+ decades, Steve represented a diverse international roster of corporate and individual clients in high-stakes commercial, financial, securities, consumer, antitrust, bankruptcy, art-related, and workplace litigation and arbitrations, and their successful resolution. Steve was widely recognized, including as a U.S. and a New York Commercial Litigation Star by Benchmark Litigation (2015, 2017, 2019, and 2021), and by Best Lawyers in America (2016, 2017, 2020, and 2021), The Legal 500 in Commercial Litigation (2017), and Chambers USA (2017).

Steve speaks and writes on business litigation and dispute resolution and prevention. He is Editor and an author of *The Complex Commercial Litigation Law Review* (Law Business Research, 3d ed., 2021), which surveys issues in commercial disputes across 30+ jurisdictions worldwide. Steve is co-author of the E-Commerce Litigation chapter in *Commercial Litigation in New York State Courts* (5th ed., 2020), and he serves on the Board of Editors of *The New York Dispute Resolution Lawyer*.

Steve received his J.D. degree from Georgetown University Law Center, where he was a member of the *Georgetown Law Journal*, and his B.S. degree in Economics, with honors, from the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania.