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Peter C. Alkalay was born in New York City and received his B.A. degree from Princeton University in 1968 and his J.D. from Columbia University Law School in 1973, where he was Chief Judge of the law school's Moot Court Program. He joined Shea, Gould, Climenko & Casey after graduation from law school, where he remained for six years when he formed, along with three other attorneys, his own firm.

Mr. Alkalay concentrates his practice in the area of all aspects of family and matrimonial law. His matrimonial practice covers all New York counties. His practice is devoted to handling complex matrimonial and family matters, which includes negotiating separation and settlement agreements as well as trying cases to decisions and orders in matters where settlement is not possible. He is an experienced trial lawyer. In addition to his trial practice in the lower courts, Mr. Alkalay has many years of experience as appellate counsel dealing with a broad variety of complex equitable distribution issues, parenting access issues, and challenging support and custody issues. He is accustomed to dealing with high net worth individuals with a wide array of difficult-to-value assets, and works closely with highly qualified experts in the valuation field.

Mr. Alkalay has also acted as a Law Guardian and as an Attorney for the Child to minor children involved in custody issues. Mr. Alkalay offers mediation services in all areas of Family Law, and has participated in Collaboration Law to facilitate matrimonial settlements. He has also been involved in several high-profile matrimonial matters.

For a number of years prior to his concentration in family and matrimonial law, Mr. Alkalay acted as principal outside counsel to various amateur sports organizations charged with fielding the competitive teams for participation in the Olympics and the Pan American Games. These organizations included USA Track and Field, the United States Soccer Federation and the American Horse Show Association. In this connection, Mr. Alkalay dealt with strategic issues involving governance, endorsements, arbitrations relating to performance-enhancing substances and other eligibility issues. He has appeared before the United States Supreme Court in this connection. He has been called upon by foreign sports organizations in European countries to consult on the formation and governing documents and rules for their amateur sports bodies. He also served as the chair of the Arbitration Tribunal of the International Amateur Athletics Federation, the world governing body for track and field. Most recently, he was named to the United States Anti-Doping Agency Review Board which participates in the administration of worldwide doping controls. For six years he served as an arbitrator of the International Court of Arbitration for Sport, which has global jurisdiction over many sport disputes.

Mr. Alkalay's trial experience includes major trials in the federal and state courts. Among the cases in which he has been involved was a major government antitrust litigation against one of the country's largest corporate entities, and a highly publicized lender liability case. He was also a principal attorney in representing an individual in the acquisition of a professional sports team.

Mr. Alkalay is a member of the Association of the Bar of the City of New York and is involved with a number of cultural and charitable institutions.

Education

- Columbia University (J.D., 1973)
- Princeton University (B.A., 1968)

Birthplace

- New York, NY

Bar Admissions

- United States Supreme Court, 1989
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second, Sixth and Seventh Circuits, 1975
- New York, U.S. District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York, 1974

Practice Areas

- Matrimonial and Family Law
- Entertainment and Sports
- Education Law
- Litigation