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Formerly a Vice-President with Guardian Life Insurance Company and a partner with a prominent White Plains, New York law firm, Mr. Schnaier represents businesses in connection with tax and ERISA matters. He advises businesses regarding the implementation of various types of qualified and non-qualified benefit plans and interfaces with appropriate government authorities, including the IRS and U.S. Department of Labor. He also provides advice regarding the ERISA implications of the structure and operation of proposed and ongoing corporate and partnership transactions such as mergers and acquisitions. Mr. Schnaier has lectured at Pace University Law School on the tax, ERISA and legal challenges associated with the transfer of closely held businesses.

Mr. Schnaier has been a member of numerous American Council of Life Insurance business and insurance committees. He has spoken publicly on life insurance litigation and suitability issues at meetings of the American Bar Association/American Law Institute as well as ESOPs and other pension issues at meetings of the American Society of Pension Actuaries. In addition, he was selected as a faculty member of the American Law Institute – American Bar Association program "Planning Techniques for Large Estates," leading the discussions entitled "Life Insurance Planning and Techniques" and "Selection of Life Insurance Alternatives: Suitability Standards for the Particular Client, Including Litigation Issues."

He is a graduate of Brooklyn College (1974) and the Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law of Yeshiva University (1981), where he was the recipient of a Samuel Belkin Scholarship.

## Education

- Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law of Yeshiva University (1981)
- Brooklyn College (1974)

## **Bar Admissions**

- New York
- New Jersey

## **Practice Areas**

- Corporate and Securities
- Corporate Law
- Taxation
- Trusts and Estates