

# Charles R. Jacob III

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Chuck Jacob is a litigator advising financial and real estate industry clients and high net worth individuals in complex disputes across the financial and real estate industries, and in fiduciary matters.

In his financial industry practice, he has asserted and defended claims for institutional clients, managers, executives and high net worth individuals involving commercial and investment banking, mortgage-backed securities, CDOs and other derivatives, mortgage servicing, professional liability, and fiduciary obligations.

Chuck is known for his ability to resolve complicated real estate litigation matters that often involve multiple parties. He is also a member of Goulston & Storrs' Probate & Fiduciary Litigation group. Chuck has extensive trial experience in federal courts (including bankruptcy courts), state courts, and in arbitration and mediation.

Prior to joining Goulston & Storrs, Chuck was a partner at a top litigation boutique in New York.

## **Affiliations**

- American Bar Association
- New York City Bar Association
- New York State Bar Association

## **Admissions**

- New York

## **Education**

- Yale University (B.A., *cum laude*)
- Columbia University School of Law (J.D.)

- Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar

## Representative Matters

### **Breach of Contract by Investment Bank**

Obtained favorable jury verdict defending client against breach of contract claims by investment bank.

### **Cross-Border Dispute With a Foreign Sovereign**

Obtained favorable settlement for European landowners in cross-border dispute with a foreign sovereign.

### **Termination Payments and Defaulting CDO**

Obtained full recovery of termination payments owed to bank client by defaulting CDO.

### **Claims by Investment Banks for Deal-Related Compensation**

Successful prosecution and defense of claims by investment banks for deal-related compensation under engagement letters.

### **Breach of Fiduciary Duties by CEO of Foreign Public Company**

Obtained complete relief for a foreign public company's U.S. subsidiary against its former CEO who had breached his fiduciary duties.

### **Prosecution and Defense of Mortgage Put-Back Cases**

Successful prosecution and defense of numerous mortgage put-back cases involving mortgage securitizers, investment and commercial banks, and other parties to mortgage securitization structures.

### **Wrongful Termination Dispute**

Successful representation of a senior banking executive in a high-profile wrongful termination dispute involving a European bank.

### **Defense of a National Mortgage Servicing Company in Adversary Proceedings Brought by Chapter 7 Trustee**

Successful defense of a national mortgage servicing company in several adversary proceedings brought by Chapter 7 trustees in bankruptcy court.

### **Defense of Principals of a Hedge Fund Advisor and Advisory Company**

Successful defense of principals of a hedge fund advisor and advisory company against breach of fiduciary duty and breach of contract claims.

### **Investment Bank's Bad Faith Pricing Methodology in Connection with the Closing Out of a Mortgage-Backed Security Residual Interest**

Obtained complete recovery for an investment fund client of amounts owed because of an investment bank's bad faith pricing methodology in connection with the closing out of a mortgage-backed security residual interest.

**Construction and Lender Liability Litigation**

Representation of a mortgage lender that involuntarily became the owner of a toxic mold-damaged hotel in multiple construction and lender liability litigations; took over the stalled cases, which involved more than twenty parties, and within months achieved a settlement of all actions with a recovery higher than the client's best-case estimate.

**Defense of Legal Malpractice**

Representation of national law firms in defense of malpractice and disciplinary claims of conflict of interest.