

## Chambers Recognizes Pashman Stein Walder Hayden in New Jersey

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Pashman Stein Walder Hayden is proud to announce that Chambers USA 2018 has once again recognized it in New Jersey in the fields of General Commercial Litigation and White-Collar Crime & Government Investigations.

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Below is what Chambers USA 2018 had to say about Pashman Stein Walder Hayden.

#### "Pashman Stein Walder Hayden P.C.

**What the team is known for** Top-tier litigation practice, particularly noted for its strength in white-collar criminal defense and government and internal investigations. The firm also impresses in securities cases and other complex commercial disputes. Also offers a respected appellate litigation practice

**Strengths** A market source reserves a wealth of praise for the group, commenting: "My experience of working with them has been excellent. The quality and expertise within the group is the best in the state."

A client adds: "*They are responsive, proactive, and experienced in their specialties. They have a deep knowledge base within their practice areas.*"

**Work highlights** Acted on behalf of PleasanTech Academy Education Association in a liability suit surrounding the death of a school pupil who fell from a Ferris wheel while on a school trip.

## **Notable practitioners**

Joseph Hayden, *"one of the deans of the white-collar defense Bar," is widely acknowledged as one of New Jersey's finest white-collar criminal lawyers. One peer describes him as "one of the most thoughtful lawyers I've ever met. His work ethic is unparalleled and he doesn't leave any stone unturned," as well as "a great guy, a wonderful lawyer and a pleasure to work with. I have endless admiration for Joe."*

Aidan O'Connor is commended by his peers as *"like the proverbial iron fist inside the velvet glove."* A former New Jersey Assistant US Attorney, he represents clients in a wide range of white-collar criminal matters. One of his clients adds: *"He is extremely thoughtful, extremely intelligent, and he provides great counsel and wisdom. 'Excellent' truly is the word to describe him."*

The *"unique"* Justin Walder is an esteemed member of the Bar and a formidable trial lawyer, defending clients against a host of civil and criminal matters. He is considered to *"one of the go-to lawyers in the state."* Fellow lawyers comment: *"He has wonderful judgment, and is one of the most gracious and well-liked professionals,"* and: *"He is universally regarded as the leading ethics and white-collar defense lawyer."*

Michael Stein is chair and managing partner of the firm, and specializes in commercial litigation, including shareholder disputes and legal malpractice claims. A fellow lawyer describes him as *"the complete lawyer – analytical yet very practical, thorough and very well prepared. He has a deep and broad knowledge and drills down onto a case to understand all the facts. He's a true professional and a quality guy."*

James Plaisted is a highly experienced white-collar criminal lawyer. He is described by fellow lawyers as *"a class act"* who *"has excellent demeanor, handles himself very well with judges, "and is acknowledged further by sources as "very even-keeled, articulate and smart." "*

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