

Bob Latella

Of Counsel

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Education

- New York University School of Law, LLM
- Vanderbilt University, LLB
- Fordham University, BA

Practices & Industries

- Corporate

Admitted to Practice

- New York

Biography

Bob's legal practice as a former partner and managing partner of a major corporate law firm led him to the business world, where he served as a senior executive officer of a diversified public corporation. With over 40 years of legal experience, Bob primarily concentrates his practice on matters involving strategic planning, the acquisition and divestiture of assets, capital formation strategies, and the integration of acquired entities into overall operations. He understands complex business needs and how to successfully implement strategies integrating legal, financial, human resources, and operational considerations.

Bob also has extensive experience counseling boards of directors on their governance and fiduciary responsibilities forming the context of today's board decision process. This experience has also led to engagements to conduct sensitive internal investigations.

Bar Associations

- Monroe County Bar Association

Representative Experience

- Handles business transactions for clients, including public and privately held corporations, limited liability companies, limited partnerships, and not-for-profits.

Prior Experience

- Hiscock & Barclay, LLP, Of Counsel
- Includes legal and business management experiences as law firm partner and managing partner; chief financial officer, of large privately-held corporation; and chief operating officer of a diversified public corporation, respectively.

Selected Community Activities

- University of Rochester Medical Center, Executive Committee and Compensation and Conflict of Interests Committees Member; Former Board of Directors Chair; and Former Audit & Risk Assessment Committee Chair
- Strong Partners Health System, Inc., Board Directors Member and Former Chair
- Highland Hospital of Rochester, Former Board of Directors Chair
- Monroe Community College, Former Board of Trustees Chair and Trustee Emeritus
- Financial Institutions, Inc. and Five Star Bank, Board of Directors Chair; Former Vice Chair; and Former Risk Oversight and Management Development & Compensation Committees Chair

Selected Honors

- *The Best Lawyers in America*®: Corporate Law, 2027
- Martindale-Hubbell AV Preeminent Peer Review Rated for Very High to Preeminent Ethical Standards and Legal Ability, 1980

Selected Speaking Engagements

- University of Rochester Medical Center 10th Annual Health Care Compliance Conference, “Best Corporate Oversight Practices for Robust Compliance Programs”
- KPMG, “Sarbanes-Oxley Corporate Governance Best Practices”
- ABA Annual Meeting, “How to Evaluate Your New Associates”

Selected Media

- American Bar Association *Your New Lawyer*, Section Editor
- American Bar Association *Your New Lawyer*, “Evaluating Your New Associate”