



ROBERT B. CONKLIN

Retired Partner

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Bob has served as leader of the firm's Business Litigation Practice, as a leader of the firm's Litigation Practice Area, and as co-leader of the Employment Litigation Practice. Before becoming the general counsel of the firm in 2006, he served as president of the firm and CEO from 2001 to 2005. A senior trial lawyer, Bob has trial experience in complex business, insurance, railroad, product liability, and employment discrimination litigation.

Bob has held teaching positions at the University at Buffalo School of Law and has often lectured for the New York State Bar Association Continuing Education Program and for the Conference of Casualty Insurance Companies. Bob has also served as vice chair of the Eighth Judicial District Attorney Grievance Committee.

Honors

- Listed, *Best Lawyers in America* (Bet-the-Company Litigation, Commercial Litigation) 1991 - 2022
- Listed, *Upstate New York Super Lawyers*, (Business Litigation) 2007 - 2017, 2019 - 2020
- *Daily Record's* Leaders in Law Award, 2006
- *Buffalo Law Review's* Distinguished Service Award, 2005

In the News

IP Law Association Honors Skretny at Mock-Trial Event
Buffalo Law Journal, October 12, 2015

Fifty-Five Hodgson Russ Attorneys Named to *Best Lawyers* 2014
August 28, 2013

The Guaranty Building
140 Pearl Street
Suite 100
Buffalo, NY 14202

Admissions

New York
U.S. Tax Court
U.S. Court of Claims
U.S. Court of Appeals, Second Circuit
Numerous Federal District Courts

Clerkships

Law clerk to U.S. District Judge
John T. Curtain, Western District of
New York (1968-70)

Education

Canisius College, B.A.
University at Buffalo School of Law,
J.D., cum laude

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Fifty-Four Hodgson Russ Attorneys Named to *Best Lawyers* 2013
August 30, 2012

Mutua Questions \$50 Million for Other Law Schools in State
Buffalo Law Journal, April 21, 2008

Mentoring Takes Main Stage
Buffalo Law Journal, February 22, 2007

Robert B. Conklin, Former Hodgson Russ President, Receives Leaders in Law Award
April 10, 2006

Robert Conklin Is Well Respected in the Legal Community
Daily Record, March 30, 2006

Hodgson Russ President Robert B. Conklin Honored by *Buffalo Law Review*
April 22, 2005

Press Releases

55 Hodgson Russ Attorneys Ranked in 2022 Edition of *Best Lawyers in America*
Hodgson Russ Press Release, August 19, 2021

Sixty-Two Hodgson Russ Attorneys Named to 2020 Upstate New York Super Lawyers
Hodgson Russ Press Release, September 8, 2020

55 Hodgson Russ Attorneys Ranked in 2021 *Best Lawyers in America*
Hodgson Russ Press Release, August 20, 2020

52 Hodgson Russ Attorneys Named to Various *Best Lawyers* Listings
Hodgson Russ Press Release, August 20, 2019

Sixty Hodgson Russ Attorneys Named to 2019 Upstate New York Super Lawyers
Press Release, August 12, 2019

Seventy Hodgson Russ Attorneys Named to 2017 Upstate New York Super Lawyers, Hugh Russ Listed Among Top 50
Press Release, September 6, 2017

Fifty-two Hodgson Russ Attorneys Named to 2018 *Best Lawyers* Listing, Five Included in “Lawyer of the Year” Categories
Press Release, August 15, 2017

Sixty-three Hodgson Russ Attorneys Named to 2016 Upstate New York Super Lawyers, Hugh Russ Listed Among Top 50
Press Release, August 31, 2016

2017 *Best Lawyers* Names Fifty-four Hodgson Russ Attorneys From Multiple Offices
Hodgson Russ Press Release, August 18, 2016

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Sixty-Four Hodgson Russ Attorneys Named to 2015 Upstate New York Super Lawyers, Hugh Russ Listed Among Top 50
Press Release, August 19, 2015

Publications

2nd Circuit Court of Appeals Rules that Title VII of the Civil Right Act of 1964 Protects Against Discrimination on the Basis of Sexual Orientation

Labor & Employment and Employment Litigation Alert, February 27, 2018

Professional Affiliations

- American Bar Association
- Bar Association of Erie County

Community & Pro Bono

- Emeritus, SUNY Buffalo Law School Dean's Advisory Council
- Former member and vice chair, Shea's Performing Arts Center board of directors