

# MARIO J. PAPA ELECTED TO NEW YORK STATE MUSEUM BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Mario J. Papa, a partner in Hodgson Russ LLP's Corporate & Securities Practice Group, was recently elected to the board of directors of the New York State Museum.

Located on Madison Avenue in Albany, the museum is a cultural program of the New York State Education Department. Started in 1836, its mission is to promote inquiry and advance knowledge in the fields of geology, biology, anthropology, and history through the investigation of material evidence germane to New York State's past, present, and future

Mr. Papa concentrates his practice in all aspects of corporation taxation and corporation law including mergers and acquisitions, estate planning, and trust and probate law. He is the former City Judge of the City of Gloversville (1984-92) and is currently the Assistant City Judge. He lectures extensively on estate and business succession planning, charitable giving, and corporate mergers and acquisitions, and he is listed in The Best Lawyers in America.

With more than 225 attorneys practicing in all major areas of law, Hodgson Russ is among the 200 largest law firms headquartered in the United States. It is one of approximately 100 firms in the country listed in America's Greatest Places to Work With a Law Degree. In June 2005, Hodgson Russ received the Carol S. Knox Family-Friendly Employer Award from the Capital District Women's Bar Association. Established in 1817, Hodgson Russ is among the oldest law firms in the United States. Hodgson Russ has offices in Albany, Buffalo, Johnstown, and New York, New York; Boca Raton, Florida; and Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

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