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Biography

Robert A. Stern is the Chair of Clausen Miller's Worldwide Subrogation/Recovery Group. Robert is a senior shareholder and member of the Board of Directors, working out of our New York and New Jersey offices.

Robert began his legal career working on many reinsurance matters (including being the only associate handling the *Unigard v. North River* trial and appeals). Robert was the fifth attorney hired in Clausen Miller's New York Office. As the firm has grown, so has Robert's areas of practice. He has received assignments in almost every Clausen Miller practice area: admiralty/aviation/maritime/transportation; appeals; casualty/liability; corporate; disability/health/life; fidelity/surety; construction; environmental; first-party property; intellectual property; international; premises liability; product liability; real estate; reinsurance; and subrogation.

Robert received his Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science and Economics, and completed the degree requirements for a Bachelor of Science in Psychology from Union College. He was awarded a Juris Doctor from Boston University School of Law. Prior to practicing law, Robert was employed with various law enforcement and investigative entities (as a Guard, Patrol Officer, Agent/Special Agent and/or Officer), including the Department of the Treasury, United States Custom Service as an Inspector. Robert was also a licensed N.Y.S. Emergency Medical Technician.

Robert has an AV® rating with Martindale-Hubbell indicating the highest ranking in legal ability and ethical standards as determined by his peers in the legal community. Robert is a Certified Subrogation Recovery Professional. Robert is a member of NASP's Board of Directors, on its Executive Committee, serves as its Vice President following 4 years as Treasurer. He has been named a New York Super Lawyer every year since 2006. Robert was the 2009, 2010, 2012, 2013 and 2014 Chair of the National Property Subrogation Strategies ExecuSummit; Co-Chair of the Property Track for NASP's 2010 Litigation Skills and Management Conference; Co-Chair for NASP's 2011 Litigation Skills and Management Conference; and was Co-Chair of the Product Liability Track for NASP's 2012 and 2013 National Annual Conferences. He is also included on the New Jersey Courts' Statewide Roster of court-approved mediators as an R. 1:40 qualified mediator.

He is a Certified Property Subrogation Arbitrator and was listed as a member in the Global Register's Who's Who in Executives and Professionals. Robert has served as an Editor of NASP's Subrogator Magazine since, 2014, including one term as Editor-in-Chief.

He is currently the Editor-in-Chief of the *East Coast CM Report of Recent Decisions*.

Robert frequently presents seminars and articles of interest to insurers, including courses at various insurance forums (NASP (Annual, Lit Skills and Chapters), National Property Subrogation Strategies ExecuSummit and PLRB/LIRB (Annual and Regionals)). He received the New York County Lawyers Association's Certificate of Appreciation for pro bono work from 1992 through the Present; the New York State Bar Association's Certificate of Appreciation; and was awarded "Partner in Education" by the New York City Public Schools. He was also Co-Editor of the *Youth Law Manual* distributed in New York Public Schools and a legal research assistant for the treatise "Securitization."

Robert created an educational video/DVD titled: "Alternative Dispute Resolution Techniques and Preparation." The 60 minute course addresses strategies and techniques in preparing for Arbitration, Mediation and Negotiation. The course is available at <http://www.researchandmarkets.com/>. Robert was also a panel speaker for a CLE program: "Skills for Preparation & Effective Representation in Insurance Mediations. This course is available at <http://www.lawline.com/>.

Robert authored a chapter in the New Appleman on Insurance Law Library Edition, a LexisNexis publication considered to be the most comprehensive source for insurance law. Chapter 161, entitled "Limitations On Bringing Subrogation Claims," addresses various subjects such as subrogating against an insured, actions impairing subrogation rights, waivers of subrogation, voluntary payment doctrine, estoppel, splitting causes of action, unclean hands, laches and invalidity of a tortfeasor's insurance policy. The Chapter not only provides an analysis of recent case law, with citations, but also helpful hints from Robert. A copy of New Appleman on Insurance Law Library Edition is available by searching the publication at www.lexisnexis.com/store.

Robert was presented with the Spirit of NASP Award from the President of the National Association of Subrogation Professionals, at NASP's 2015 Annual Conference. This honor was given to Robert in recognition of his many contributions to NASP and the subrogation industry.



Education

J.D. Boston University, School of Law, 1990
B.A. Union College, 1987; and completed the degree requirements for a B.S. Union College, 1987.

Bar Admissions

New York
Massachusetts
New Jersey

Court Admissions

U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York

U.S. District Court, Eastern District of New York

U.S. Court of Appeals, Second Circuit

U.S. District Court, District of Massachusetts

U.S. District Court, District of New Jersey

Memberships

New York County Lawyers' Association

New York State Bar Association

American Bar Association

National Association of Subrogation Professionals

Awards

Martindale Hubbell AV® rating 2021 – 2022

Super Lawyers® 2006 – 2019