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PRACTICE AREAS

Alternative Dispute Resolution
Appellate Advocacy
Local Counsel
Professional Misconduct and
Attorney Ethics
Special Retentions
Cannabis and Hemp Law
Public Interest Center

EDUCATION

Duke University School of
Law, J.D., *with distinction*,
1956
Duke University, B.A., 1954

BAR & COURT ADMISSIONS

New Jersey
United States District Court,
District of New Jersey
United States Supreme Court

BACKGROUND

The Honorable Gary S. Stein joined Pashman Stein Walder Hayden in 2002, after serving on the New Jersey State Supreme Court for more than 17 years. During his tenure, the sixth-longest in the state Supreme Court's history, Justice Stein wrote more than 365 published opinions. Before his tenure on the bench, Justice Stein served as director of the Governor's Office of Policy and Planning from 1982 to 1985, during the administration of Governor Tom Kean.

During his years at Pashman Stein Walder Hayden, Justice Stein has continued to devote significant time and effort to public interest issues. His experience in election law, which he has been teaching at Rutgers Law School since 2007, prompted the Brennan Center for Justice to enlist him to file an *amicus* brief on behalf of the Sunlight Foundation, et al., in the landmark United States Supreme Court case *Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission*, 558 U.S. 310 (2010).

Justice Stein has also written and published numerous articles about other high-profile election law issues, including gerrymandering and the Voting Rights Act. He helped lead the New Jersey State Bar Association's efforts to assure that the tenure reappointments of Supreme Court justices and judges were processed in a manner consistent with the judicial appointments provisions of New Jersey's Constitution. In 2016, Justice Stein was instrumental in organizing the New Jersey Coalition for Diverse and Inclusive Schools, Inc., a nonprofit corporation that has since spearheaded the filing of a major public interest lawsuit challenging New Jersey's extreme racial and socioeconomic segregation of its public schools as unconstitutional. He is currently a member of the Board of Trustees of the ACLU of New Jersey and a member of the Board of Trustees of the Education Law Center.

As special counsel to Pashman Stein Walder Hayden, Justice Stein has focused his practice on mediation, arbitration, and assisting other law firms with significant appellate matters. His practice has included a multiyear appointment by the New Jersey Casino Control Commission as the operating trustee of the Tropicana Casino. In addition, Justice Stein served as Paramus

Borough attorney and counsel to the New Jersey Election Law Revision Commission. He is a former counsel to the Teaneck Board of Adjustment, former chairperson of the Bergen County District Ethics Committee, and former chairperson of the New Jersey Supreme Court Committee on Complementary Dispute Resolution.

Justice Stein is a fellow of the American Bar Foundation, as well as a member of the Bergen County and New Jersey State (including a previous position as chairperson of its Committee on State Legislation) Bar Associations. He earned both his BA and JD degrees from Duke University.

PROFESSIONAL/CIVIC ACTIVITIES

- Member, Board of Trustees, Educational Law Center
- Member, Board of Trustees, A.C.L.U. New Jersey
- President, New Jersey Coalition for Diverse and Inclusive Schools, Inc.