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A founding member and Chairman of the Board of Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, Norm Brownstein is nationally recognized for his extensive experience in real estate law, commercial transactions and public policy advocacy. Resident in the firm's Denver office, his policy practice spans the economic spectrum, extending to telecommunications, financial services, tax and health care interests.

Norm has helped dozens of major organizations and corporations successfully develop and execute myriad legislative and regulatory strategies, including Apollo Global Management, Athene Insurance, Ardent Healthcare, Western Union, Caesars Entertainment, Federal Express, Ares Management, Leonard Green Partners, Wells Fargo Board of Directors, RCCH Healthcare Partners, National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts, Real Estate Roundtable, Comcast, the National Cable & Telecommunications, T-Mobile and the Vector Group. He has overseen the development and implementation of strategy for such complex matters as:

Representative Matters

- Successfully represented real estate, private equity and insurance interests in the 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act
- Brownstein worked closely with industry leaders, House Committee on Ways and Means members, Senate Finance Committee members and the Joint Committee on Taxation to solve existing barriers to foreign capital, by successfully passing an amendment to the Foreign Investment in Real Property Tax Act (FIRPTA).
- Led the effort to pass cancellation of indebtedness income legislation in the 2010 stimulus bill.
- Brownstein, along with a coalition of businesses, successfully convinced Congress to pass legislation granting a five-year carry Back for net operating losses. This provision helped Fortune 50 companies to redirect billions of dollars for investment and job creation.
- Helped physician owned hospital retain its governing structure in health care reform.
- Amending the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act to eliminate frivolous lawsuits against private contractors working on behalf of hundreds of America's district attorneys.
- Representing the cable industry for over 25 years.
- Obtaining for certain gaming and lodging companies the ability for their operating companies to spin off, tax free, their real estate holdings.
- Helping not for profits including a university, a national respiratory hospital, a museum of tolerance, and Melanoma and Prostate Cancer researchers to obtain federal funding support.

News & Events

- Norm Brownstein Honored with Robert E. Loup Hineni Award
- Featured in Denver Post Profile
- Receives University Of Colorado Law School highest Alumni Awards
- Celebrates 20th Anniversary of D.C. Office
- A Chat with Denver Attorney and Lobbyist Norm Brownstein in Wall Street Journal

- Featured in THE NETWORK: Portrait Conversations at The Smithsonian's National Portrait Gallery
- Led the team for a major corporate client during a very intense period of crisis management when the company was under scrutiny from the Congress, including Hill outreach and extensive hearing preparation. This resulted in two successful hearings on Capitol Hill.
- Represents several gaming entities regarding federal gambling policy.

In light of these and many successes in other legal areas, the *National Law Journal* named Norm one of the "100 Most Influential Lawyers in America" and Norm was named as one of Lawdragon's 500 Top Leading Lawyers in America. He has also been included in the Best Lawyers in America and Colorado Super Lawyers. Active in community affairs, Norm is involved in the American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC), where he is currently vice president. He is presently a director of National Jewish Health and a trustee of the Simon Wiesenthal Center. Norm is a past presidential appointee to the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Council (1996-2006).

Norm has received many awards during his career. He is a past recipient of the Distinguished Humanitarian Award, the President's Award and the Arthur B. Lorber Award for Distinguished Service from National Jewish Health, the Talmud Leadership Award from AIPAC, the Distinguished Service Award from ArtReach, and the Distinguished Alumni and the William Lee Knous Awards from the University of Colorado School of Law. In addition, he was awarded the Mizel Museum's Community Cultural Enrichment Award, the University Medal from the University of Colorado, Business Leader of the Year from Jewish Family Service of Colorado, as well as the Robert E. Loup Hineni Award from the Staenberg-Loup Jewish Community Center.

Since founding the firm in 1968, Norm's strategic vision has helped build a three-man partnership into the powerhouse law firm it is today, with nearly 250 attorneys and legislative consultants in over 10 offices across the country.

Education

- J.D., 1968, University of Colorado Law School
- B.S., 1965, University of Colorado

Admissions

- Colorado

Membership

American College of Real Estate Lawyers

American Bar Association

Colorado Bar Association

Denver Bar Association