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About James

James C. Sivon specializes in financial services law. He primarily works with financial institutions, fintechs, financial trade associations and consulting firms.

James provides his clients with strategic legal advice on charter options, including commercial bank charters, industrial loan company (ILC) charters, national trust bank charters, narrow state charters, money transmission licenses and options for foreign banks; prepares and shepherds regulatory applications related to corporate transactions and product approvals, including charter applications, Change in Bank Control filings, Bank Holding Company filings and Bank Merger Act applications; analyzes proposed laws and regulations and their potential impact on products, services and business models; assesses new products and services, including filing and compliance requirements; and advises on compliance with a full range of laws and regulations that impact financial services firms, such as capital, control, insider lending and affiliate transactions.

James received his undergraduate degree from Denison University and his law degree from the Georgetown University Law Center. He is admitted to practice in the District of Columbia.

Credentials

Education

- Denison University, B.A.
- Georgetown University, J.D.

Admissions

- District of Columbia, 1982

Memberships & Affiliations

- Member and Former Chair, Executive Council, Federal Bar Association's Banking Law Section
- Member and Former Officer, Exchequer Club, Washington, DC
- Former Senior Advisor, Bipartisan Policy Center's Financial Regulatory Reform Initiative
- Former Co-Project Director, Financial Services Roundtable's Blue-Ribbon Commission on Enhancing Competitiveness

Recognitions

- AV Preeminent Rating from Martindale-Hubbell

Expertise

Services

- Financial Services

Publications

- Author, "Bank Mergers & Acquisitions: A Self-Assessment Guide, American Bankers Associations", 2023.
- Co-author, "Understanding Fintech and Banking Law: A Practical Guide", Thomson Reuters, 2015.

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