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Edward Sopher is a partner in the New York office of Gibson Dunn and is a member of the Investment Funds Practice Group. Ed's practice focuses on the establishment and operation of private investment funds, including private equity funds, funds of funds, hedge funds, credit funds and real estate funds. He has extensive experience representing the investment managers and sponsors of these funds, as well as institutional investors, seed investors, placement agents and joint venture partners.

He has also been involved in a wide variety of investment, private equity and financing transactions for his investment fund clients, and leads the firm's significant practice in secondary transactions, representing some of the world's largest secondary investment funds in their investment and financing activities, as well as sponsors in GP-led restructurings and recapitalizations. His experience extends to transactions involving investment management firms, including stake investments, spin-outs, acquisitions, financings and joint ventures. Ed also represents investment firms in connection with their partnership and employee profit participation arrangements, and advises on SEC regulatory and other compliance matters.

Ed is consistently featured as a leading lawyer in the area of private fund formation by:

- *Chambers USA*
- *Chambers Global*
- *The Best Lawyers in America®*
- *Who's Who Legal Private Funds: Formation*
- *The International Who's Who of Business Lawyers*
- *The International Financial Law Review*
- *The Legal 500 United States*
- *PLC Cross-border Private Equity Handbook*
- Legal Media Group's Expert Guides
  - *Guide to the World's Leading Investment Funds Lawyers*
  - *Guide to the World's Leading Private Equity Lawyers*
  - *Guide to the World's Leading Banking, Finance and Transactional Lawyers*

His clients include:

- Argonaut Private Capital
- Blackstone Strategic Partners
- Credit Suisse

- Dextra Partners
- GCM Grosvenor
- Hamilton Lane
- Neuberger Berman
- Ottawa Avenue Private Capital
- StepStone Group

Ed received his Bachelor of Arts degree in 1982 and his Master of Arts in 1985 from Cambridge University.

Additional relevant information about Ed includes:

- Ed was born in London, England.
- He is a member of the New York Bar and is also a solicitor in England and Wales.
- Ed is a member of several bar committees.
- He is a frequent speaker on matters relating to private investment funds.

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