# Janet Vance Partner

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New York

Janet Vance is a partner in the New York office of Gibson Dunn. Janet serves on the Compensation Committee and the Finance Committee of Gibson Dunn and she focuses on corporate finance and private equity. Her experience includes representation of equity sponsors, corporate borrowers and lenders with respect to secured and unsecured lending transactions, loan syndications, fund financings, senior and subordinated debt financings, first lien/second lien deals, mezzanine loans and other banking and credit matters. In addition, Janet regularly provides general corporate counseling and strategic advice for clients, including public and private companies and their boards of directors.

Janet's clients represent a cross-section of industries, including retail, manufacturing, energy, hospitality, technology, telecommunication, aerospace, defense, infrastructure and metals. Janet is consistently ranked as one of the elite Banking and Finance lawyers by *Chambers USA*, *Chambers Global, The Best Lawyers in America* and *The International Who's Who of Banking Lawyers*. In *Chambers*, Janet is praised for "her experience, nuanced approach and technical excellence," and for being "passionate and invested in clients, and a true partner in terms of creatively solving problems with great business sense." She is also noted as "very sophisticated and very collaborative" and "exceptional in having the business acumen to match her legal competence." "When you get to a roadblock, Janet can pause and come back with something creative that no one has thought of and blast through the logjam," and "has the rare component where she cares about our company and wants us to do well." She "has strong negotiation skills, the highest ability to get things done in the most advantageous and practical manner, and is a critical player on every team," and is "very thoughtful, very helpful and has a tremendous amount of experience."

Janet received her Juris Doctor from the Columbia University School of Law in 1987, where she was a Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar. She was a judicial clerk to the Honorable Richard Gadbois, Jr. in federal district court in Los Angeles, California, from 1987–1988. Janet received her Bachelor of Arts degree in English and Psychology with honors from the University of Pennsylvania in 1984.



# **Capabilities**

Finance
Business Restructuring and
Reorganization
Capital Markets
Consumer Products and Retail
Energy Regulation and Litigation
Energy and Infrastructure
Financial Institutions
Investment Funds
Mergers and Acquisitions
Oil and Gas
Power and Renewables
Private Equity

## **Credentials**

#### Education

Columbia University - 1987 Juris Doctor University of Pennsylvania - 1984 Bachelor of Arts

#### Admissions

New York Bar

## Clerkships

USDC, Central District of California, Hon. Richard A. Gadbois Jr., 1987 - 1988