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Robert L. Haig Named to the NYS Commission on Judicial Nomination

NEW YORK—Chief Judge Janet DiFiore has named Robert L. Haig to the New York State Commission on Judicial Nomination, which screens candidates for vacancies on the Court of Appeals, New York’s highest court. Appointments to the 12-member commission are divided evenly among the three branches of government.

Mr. Haig is a partner at Kelley Drye, where his practice focuses on commercial and other types of civil litigation. He has played an instrumental role in the creation and expansion of commercial courts in New York and beyond. Mr. Haig has written and lectured extensively on various litigation and dispute resolution topics and is the editor in chief of “Commercial Litigation in New York State Courts and “Business and Commercial Litigation in Federal Courts.”

Among his many affiliations, he chairs the Chief Judge’s Commercial Division Advisory Council, was the founding chair of the New York State Bar Association’s Commercial and Federal Litigation Section, is a former president of the New York County Lawyers Association and New York Bar Foundation and has chaired the New York City Bar Association’s Committee on the Judiciary as well as that Association’s Council on Judicial Administration. He received his J.D. from Harvard Law School.

“Bob Haig is a preeminent litigator, legal scholar and bar leader who has made innumerable contributions to the quality of our court system. His vast experience, wisdom and sound judgment will serve the Commission well,” said Chief Judge DiFiore.

His appointment is effective immediately.

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