

Michael Goldstein, JD

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Biography

In September 2020, Mike Goldstein joined Tyton Partners as a Managing Director and co-creator of its new Center for Higher Education Transformation, focusing on strategies to help public and independent institutions thrive in a rapidly changing environment. Mike's extensive experience in postsecondary education innovation earned him an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters from Fielding Graduate University in 2015. Prior to Tyton, Mike led a premier higher education law practice at Dow Lohnes in Washington, DC, which merged with Cooley LLP in 2014. His earlier roles include founding Director of the New York City Urban Corps, Assistant City Administrator and Director of University Relations in the NYC Mayor's Office, and Associate Vice Chancellor for Urban and Governmental Affairs and Associate Professor of Urban Sciences at the University of Illinois at Chicago. Mike has collaborated with innovative institutions like Western Governors University, University of Maryland University College, Excelsior College, Southern New Hampshire University, and National Technological University. He served as counsel to the State Higher Education Executive Officers Association (SHEEO), working with CPEC and other national higher education organizations. He contributed to the Council on Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA), the Association of Governing Boards (AGB), and the American Council on Education (ACE), and played a key role in developing the State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement (SARA). Mike is a Trustee and past Board chair of Fielding Graduate University, a trustee of Vermont College of Fine Arts, a director of the University of the District of Columbia Foundation, a founding Board member of The Washington Center for Internships and Academic Seminars, and Vice Chair of the Board of The Washington Ballet. His awards include the Richard Jonsen Award for e-learning leadership, CAEL's Morris Keeton Award for experiential learning service, the President's Medal from Excelsior College, the Hall of Fame Award from the United States Distance Learning Association, and the honorary Doctor of Humane Letters from Fielding Graduate University. Mike holds a BA from Cornell University, a law degree from New York University, and was a Loeb Fellow in Advanced Urban and Environmental Design at Harvard Graduate School of Design.

Industry Expertise

Education/Learning, Non-Profit/Charitable, Corporate Leadership, Program Development

Areas of Expertise

Education Law, Legal Advice, Higher Education, Community Outreach, Staff Development, Mergers & Acquisitions, Leadership Development, Strategic Planning

Affiliations

American Bar Association - Past Chair ? Education Law Committee, American-Russian Cultural Cooperation Foundation : Director, Cleveland Park Historical Society : Director, Federal Bar Association Past Co Chair : Education Grants Committee, Friendship Fire Association District of Columbia Fire and EMS : Dir. & Past Pres., National Association of College and University Attorneys : Past Chair ? Committee on Legal Education, The Fielding Graduate Institute Santa Barbara CA : Chair of the Board of Trustees, The Washington Ballet : Director and General Counsel, The Washington Center for Internships and Academic Seminars : Director

Education

Fielding Graduate University

Doctor of Humane Letters (Honoris Causa) Honorary Degree

New York University School of Law

JD Law

Harvard University Graduate School of Design

Fellow Design

Cornell University

BA American Government and Politics

Accomplishments

Named in Best Lawyers in America

Specializing in Education Law

Recognized in Washington, D.C. Super Lawyers

Specializing in Schools and Education

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