

Kenneth Schneider

Global Strategy & Implementation

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Expertise

Mergers & Acquisitions
Global Capital Markets
Real Estate: All Aspects
Energy & Natural Resources
Telecoms & Technology
Media & Entertainment
International Alliances
NGO & NPO Development

Skills

Strategic Consulting
Negotiation & Dealmaking
Asset & Investment Management
Entrepreneurship & Startups
Organizational Leadership
Global Philanthropy
Intercultural Agility

Credentials

California Real Estate & Business
Opportunities Broker (1988)
New York State Bar (1993)
Courts of SDNY & EDNY (1993)
District of Columbia Bar (1994)

Languages

English (native)
Spanish (fluent)
Russian (fluent)
Proficiency in Others

Profile

International attorney, strategic consultant, and professional negotiator with a comprehensive background in finance and administration and a proven record of successfully developing and managing large-scale transactions, projects, and institutions in more than 50 countries while based in New York, London, Moscow, and Beijing.

Executive & Management, Legal & Financial Experience

President & CEO

Strategic Dimensions International • London & Beijing

2006 – Present

Principal of international venture development and realization group focused on developing new East-West market strategies and synergies, with particular geographical strengths in Emerging Europe and Asia and particular sector strengths in media & entertainment and technology.

Chief International Counsel & Head of Executions

Millhouse Capital & Government of Chukotka • Moscow & London

2000 – 2006

Member of the original development team that created the premier asset and investment management group for the former Soviet Union. Also served as representative and advisor for the only region of Russia in the Western Hemisphere (adjacent to Alaska), which was being governed and redeveloped by a VIP client. Functioned as a primary counselor to the group's principals, including the wealthiest man in the world under age 40, advising and assisting them with all of their interests worldwide.

Attorney & Senior Associate

Shearman & Sterling, White & Case, Debevoise & Plimpton •

New York, London & Moscow (@ 2.5 years in each city)

1992 – 2000

One of the leading global professionals handling mergers & acquisitions, international finance, and privatizations & nationalizations: acting as primary counsel for some of the most significant transactions in both mature and emerging markets taking place worldwide during the 1990s throughout a full range of development phases and economic cycles. Also opened the Moscow office of one of the world's most prestigious law firms.

Board Memberships

Board of Directors of the International Lawyers Group in Moscow (1999)

First Foreign Nominee to the Board of Directors for Aeroflot Russian Airlines (2002)

Media Coverage

Featured on the cover of the Harvard College Law Journal, with a four-page interview about social entrepreneurship (2006)

Interviewed on National Public Radio in New Orleans (2008) and New York (2009) as an expert on global philanthropy and the arts

Interests

Meditation & Spirituality
 Music Theory & Performance
 Literary Theory & Poetics
 Abstract Expressionist Painting
 Acting & Directing: Film & Theater
 Swimming, Sailing & Nature
 Holistic Self-Improvement

Values

Vision, Courage, Excellence, Loyalty, Integrity & Responsibility

Co-Founder & Partner, Supervising Broker Real Property Concepts Investment Management • San Diego 1986 – 1992

Co-founder of asset and investment management group focused on acquiring, restructuring, and syndicating real estate assets throughout the Southwestern United States, serving as the firm's supervising Real Estate & Business Opportunities Broker. Also served as a key administrator for restructuring of a statewide California HMO during this time. Designed and implemented new management, data processing, and accounting systems for both the real estate and healthcare enterprises.

Education & Academic Experience

Master's Degree in the Study of Religion & Research Fellow Harvard University, Faculty of Arts & Sciences, GSAS • Cambridge 2002 – 2011

Dean's List. 250-page thesis on sacred forms of aesthetic expression chosen as one of the four most outstanding master's theses published that year in this division. Also did groundbreaking work in the field of game theory, developing a strategic behavior model that outperformed all prototypes developed by the leading experts in this field worldwide.

Juris Doctor The University of Chicago, The Law School • Chicago 1989 – 1992

First in class after the first semester (1989 – 1990); Law Review (1990 – 1992); Law Students Association Representative on the Law School Curriculum Committee (1991 – 1992).

Honors Baccalaureate in Arts & Ideas University of Michigan, Residential College and School of Music • Ann Arbor 1982 – 1986

Honors Council (1982 – 1986), Michigan Club Scholarship (1982), Freshman Scholar (1983), Sophomore Honors Award (1984), Honors in Musicianship (1985), Honors Baccalaureate (1986). Honors Thesis: application of mathematical modeling techniques to the structural study of music theory (Interval Class Vector Analysis).