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After 44 years practicing in the area of business litigation, Stanley Adelman now devotes himself exclusively to pro bono matters.

He won a post-conviction appeal in the Illinois Appellate Court on an attempted murder case and recently reversed the trial court in another post-conviction matter, ultimately resulting in complete exoneration of the client. He mediated the settlement of a juvenile private prison case concerning conditions, filed in the Southern District of Florida. He represented one of the defendants in the much publicized Jena 6 case in Jena, Louisiana. In the last few years he has filed two amicus briefs in cases seeking and obtaining *en banc* reversals of two panels in the Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals, and one in the District Court and the Seventh Circuit successfully opposing an injunction challenging the constitutionality of Illinois election laws. He recently filed an amicus brief in the Illinois Supreme Court on recusal of judges. He handled a major public accommodation discrimination case in federal court in Georgia representing the NAACP and various individuals against a national restaurant chain. Mr. Adelman worked with the United Nations Mission in Kosovo and US AID, drafting legislation relating to the courts and a code of civil procedure as well as working on legal training issues in Kosovo.

Admissions

- Illinois

Recognitions

Stan has been listed in *Who's Who in America* and *Who's Who in American Law* for approximately 25 years, and has been designated an Illinois Super Lawyer in every year since 2005 until retirement from his business litigation practice. In 2007, he received DLA Piper's national Pro Bono Partner of the Year award.

Education

- J.D., University of Wisconsin-Madison 1967
Editor, *Wisconsin Law Review* (1965-1967)
Member, Wisconsin National Moot Court Team
Order of the Coif

- B.S., University of Wisconsin-Madison 1964
with honors

Courts

- Admitted pro hac vice or permanently in various federal and state courts
- Supreme Court of the United States
- Trial Bar, United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois
- United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
- United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit
- United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit

Memberships

- Chicago Bar Association
- Chicago Council of Lawyers, State and Federal Judicial Selection Committees and Ethics Committee; Co-Chairman, Evaluation of the Judges, Bankruptcy Judges and Magistrate Judges for the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois
- The Lawyers Club of Chicago

Civic and Charitable

- Past President of the Board and a Board Member of the Chicago Appleseed Fund for Justice
- Equip for Equality/Equality for Kids Bar Campaign
- Past Director and Member, Friends' Committee, Legal Assistance Foundation of Chicago
- Past President and Member, American Inns of Court (Markey-Wigmore)

INSIGHTS

Events

- Speaker, "A Struggle for Fairness: the Jena 6 Cases," Chicago Bar Association
- Speaker/Author, "Issue of Standing Under Civil RICO," seminar presented by the Illinois Institute of Continuing Legal Education
- Speaker/Author, "Experts in Litigation," Illinois CPA Foundation Annual Conference

Teaching

Mr. Adelman taught at the National Institute of Trial Advocacy for over 20 years and has lectured at the University of Chicago and the University of San Diego law schools.