



James H. Wildman

Jim Wildman is a retired partner of King & Spalding LLP where he was the Managing Partner of the New York office and the firm's Managing Partner for four years, from 1989 until 1992. He practiced both commercial real estate and corporate law.

For more than 25 years Mr. Wildman represented developers in the construction, financing and leasing of income properties. His clients have also included many U.S. and non-U.S. corporations, institutions and high net worth individuals investing equity in real estate assets located in the Southeastern, Southwestern and West Coast areas of the United States. He was also a member of the American College of Real Estate Lawyers.

Mr. Wildman has extensive experience in the development, financing and operation of hotels, particularly those in the luxury class. For more than ten years he was the principal outside counsel for The Ritz-Carlton Hotel Company and represented the company in transactions throughout the United States and in many foreign countries. Mr. Wildman led the team of King & Spalding lawyers representing The Ritz-Carlton Hotel Company in its sale of a 49 percent interest to Marriott International. He is a former board member of the new operating company.

Before moving to New York, Mr. Wildman was active in the Atlanta business and civic communities, serving on the boards of Directors of Central Atlanta Progress, The Alliance Theater, Research Atlanta and the Regional Leadership Institute, an organization consisting of over 150 government and business leaders from the Atlanta region engaged in promoting regional cooperation and solutions to problems which cross city and county boundaries within the region. Mr. Wildman is a past member of the Board of Visitors of Emory University, the Board of Councilors of the Carter Center and the Alumni Board of Vanderbilt Law School. He has also been active in numerous political campaigns.

Both his undergraduate and law degrees are from Vanderbilt University, where he was a member of Omicron Delta Kappa and Order of the Coif and served as Editor-in-Chief of the *Vanderbilt Law Review*. He is co-author of an article entitled "Rethinking 'Professionalism'," which was published in the *Emory Law Journal*, and has spoken on the subject of a lawyer's professional responsibilities to bar groups and law students. Prior to entering law school, Mr. Wildman served four years in the U.S. Navy as a line officer, attaining the rank of Lieutenant.