



## JONATHAN A. SAIDEL

Jonathan A. Saidel is a member of the firm and served as Philadelphia's City Controller for sixteen years (1990–2006). Mr. Saidel specializes in class action litigation, real estate consulting and represents individuals and corporations with large tax liabilities before cities, states, and the federal government.

Mr. Saidel came to the firm after a successful career as the City Controller of Philadelphia where he won local and national plaudits for reforming and professionalizing the Controller's Office. He is lauded for his dedication during that time to fiscal discipline along with his proposals of innovative ideas which contributed to growth within the city of Philadelphia. His work culminated in the publication of the widely praised book, "Philadelphia A New Urban Direction" which is still used as a guidepost for effective government and corporate governance, and is required reading in many colleges and universities.

Mr. Saidel also served as an adjunct lecturer at the University of Pennsylvania Fels School of Government from 2000 to 2005 and as an adjunct Professor at Drexel University's MBA Program in 1999 and 2002.

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### EDUCATION

Widener University School of Law,  
J.D., 1979

Temple University, 1972; CPA  
Designation, 1975

### BAR AND COURT ADMISSIONS

- Pennsylvania
- United States Tax Court
- United State District Court: Eastern District of Pennsylvania

### HONORS AND AWARDS

- The National Association of Local Government Auditor's Knighton Award;
- The President's Council on Integrity & Efficiency Award for Excellence;
- Multiple "Special Projects" awards from the National Association of Local Government Auditors;
- Controller of the Year" award, granted by his peers in the PA City Controllers Association.

### PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- Institute for Strategic Threat Analysis and Response, Advisory Board Member;
- CORA, Board Member;
- Friends of the IDF, Board Member;
- Greater Philadelphia Film Board, Board Member;
- St. Hubert's Catholic High School for Girls, Advisory Board Member;
- Labor Advisory Board of America, Board Member;
- Keystone Progress, Board Member;
- Board of Advisors of the Self Help Movement.