

A. Fred Ruttenberg, Shareholder, Flaster Greenberg PC, Passes Away

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A. Fred Ruttenberg, Shareholder with Flaster Greenberg PC, died on Friday, January 29, 2016. He was 73 years old. Mr. Ruttenberg was a member of Flaster Greenberg's Business and Corporate Law Department and the Bankruptcy, Financial Restructuring and Risk Management Department. An accomplished corporate and securities lawyer, Mr. Ruttenberg concentrated his practice in general corporate law, securities, public and private offerings, mergers and acquisitions, loan transactions and workouts, and bankruptcy and restructuring.

He represented public corporations in large transactions and securities matters. Some of Mr. Ruttenberg's notable achievements include representation of a medical transcription company in an acquisition of a competitor requiring Hart-Scott-Rodino filings; a public mortgage company in a merger with a major insurance company, and a snack food company in various acquisitions and SEC filings. He represented a sports memorabilia company in venture capital financing and issuance of convertible subordinated debentures, and a phone service company in its acquisition and merger with a public company.

Mr. Ruttenberg joined Flaster Greenberg as a partner in 2007 after 39 years at two other large firms. "Fred's insight and ability to negotiate complex deals was always appreciated by his clients," said Peter Spigel, Flaster Greenberg's Managing Partner, "and his colleagues appreciated his straightforward nature and down-to-earth approach."

Frank Wisniewski, fellow Flaster Greenberg Shareholder and close friend noted that "Fred was magical with numbers. He could analyze a financial transaction in his head before others could pull out their calculators. Working with him throughout my career has given me a deep appreciation not only for our friendship but also for his ability to push everyone to deliver their best to the client, every time."

Mr. Ruttenberg served as counsel to the Golf Association of Philadelphia (GAP) where he was an active member and volunteer. He served on GAP's Executive Committee from 1991 through 2011 and spent the last 16 years as the association's General Counsel. His love of golf resulted in his involvement as a tournament and rules official for a variety of tournaments. He also was a past president of the American Cancer Society - Camden County Division and Woodcrest Country Club in Cherry Hill, New Jersey. In addition to his community service, Mr. Ruttenberg was a master bridge player and enjoyed traveling and tennis.

Mr. Ruttenberg was rated "AV Preeminent" by Martindale-Hubbell and was named a 2014 "Top Attorney" by *SJ Magazine*. A graduate of the University of Pennsylvania Law School (*cum laude*, 1966), he also earned his B.S. from the University of Pennsylvania (1963).

Mr. Ruttenberg is survived by wife Judith (nee Lukoff); daughters Dina Blackman and Betsy Contant and grandchildren Jack, Samantha, Alexa, Jared and Evan. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made in Fred's memory to Congregation Beth El.