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Jeffrey Golden is Chairman of The P.R.I.M.E. Finance Foundation in The Hague, and a member of the Foundation's Panel of Recognized International Market Experts in Finance, a Governor and Honorary Fellow of the London School of Economics and Political Science, where he has also been Visiting Professor in the Law Department (2010-2013), and joint Head of Chambers at 3 Hare Court. He previously retired from international law firm Allen & Overy LLP, which he joined as a partner in 1994 after 15 years with the leading Wall Street practice of Cravath, Swaine & Moore. He was the founding partner of Allen & Overy's US law practice and senior partner in the firm's global derivatives practice and has broad experience of a wide range of capital markets matters, including swaps and derivatives, international securities offerings, US private placements and listings and mergers, acquisitions and joint ventures. He has acted extensively for the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, was a principal author of ISDA's master agreements and has acted as an arbitrator and appeared as an expert witness in several high profile derivatives cases. He is General Editor of the *Capital Markets Law Journal* (Oxford University Press), and his most recent book (co-edited with Carolyn Lamm), *International Financial Disputes: Arbitration and Mediation*, is published by Oxford University Press.

Jeffrey has served on the American Bar Association's working group on the rule of law and economic development (Chair), the Financial Markets Law Committee's working groups on amicus briefs, emergency powers legislation and *Enron v TXU* (Chair), the Financial Law Panel's working groups on agency dealings by fund managers and other intermediaries and building societies legislation, the Federal Trust's working group on European securities regulation, the European Commission's study group, the City of London joint working group and ISDA task forces on the legal aspects of monetary union and the Financial Stability Board's Market Participants Group for Reforming Interest Rate Benchmarks.

He is former Chair of the Society of English and American Lawyers (SEAL) and of the American Bar Association's Section of International Law, Senior Advisor to its Financial Engineering for Economic Development (FEED) task force and a former Co-Chair of its International Securities and Capital Markets and U.S. Lawyers Practicing Abroad Committees, an elected member of the American Law Institute and a Life Fellow (former Co-Chair, International) of the American Bar Foundation. He has also served on the Steering Committee of the ABA/UNDP International Legal Resource Center, as a member of the ABA House of Delegates, on the ABA Commission on Ethics 20/20 and as Section of International Law Liaison to the ABA Financial Markets Regulatory Reform task force (Chair, Derivatives Working Group).

He studied at Duke University, the London School of Economics and Political Science and Columbia University School of Law, from which he received his J.D. degree with honors in 1978. He is General Editor of the *Capital Markets Law Journal* (Oxford University Press), a former trustee of the International Bar Association Foundation, a former Chairman of the LSE Alumni Association and a member of the International Advisory Board of Columbia Law School, Oxford University and Frankfurt University, the International Lawyers for Africa (ILFA) Advisory Committee and the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development Local Capital Market Development Legal and Regulatory Assessment Advisory Panel.

Recent awards for Jeffrey Golden, his projects and his law firm teams include Best Arbitration Development of the Year 2016 (runner up), Best Published Arbitration Decision of the Year 2015 (runner up) and Best Newcomer 2012 – P.R.I.M.E. Finance (Global Arbitration Review), Derivatives Law Firm of the Year 2009 (RISK), 2008, 2007, 2006, 2005 (Derivatives Week); FT Innovative Lawyers Award 2007 (Financial Times); and Capital Markets Team of the Year 1998 (Legal Business). He has topped the rankings for derivatives lawyers and drawn accolades from all leading law firm directories, including, among others, having been hailed as “Mr. Derivatives” (Chambers) and “legendary” (Legal 500) and credited with having “written the law on derivatives” (Legal 500). In 2016, Jeffrey was elected and subsequently called as an Honorary Master of the Bench at the Honourable Society of Middle Temple.