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Raymond M. Brown is a partner at Pashman Stein Walder Hayden P.C. Mr. Brown holds a B.A. from Columbia College of Columbia University and a J.D. from the University of California Berkley School of Law.

Over a nearly fifty-year career in law, Mr. Brown has played many roles: trial lawyer, teacher, legal journalist, and a voice for justice both nationally and internationally. He began his career working with his father, the legendary Black New Jersey trial lawyer and civil rights activist Raymond A. Brown. He then went on to a series of positions, establishing himself as one of the premier trial lawyers in New Jersey in his own right. His current practice is focused on white-collar criminal defense, international human rights compliance, internal investigations, and complex commercial litigation on behalf of individuals, corporations, and government entities. Mr. Brown is a leading explainer of legal issues to the New Jersey public, having hosted, together with Sandra King, the award-winning television program “Due Process” from its inception in 1996. He also taught as an adjunct professor at Seton Hall University School of Law from 2000 to 2013.

Mr. Brown is a co-founder (with his wife, Wanda Aikin) of the International Justice Project, a non-profit organization which has been engaged in the struggle against Genocide in Darfur and other injustices elsewhere for more than a decade. In that connection, he has conducted investigations in Kenya and elsewhere in East Africa, El Salvador, the Cayman Islands, Switzerland, the Bahamas, Colombia, and Sierra Leone. He has represented victims in the Darfur situation at the International Criminal Court at The Hague and has represented an accused at the Special Court for Sierra Leone. Mr. Brown appeared twice before the New Jersey Supreme Court in 2021 representing *amicus curiae* on important criminal law issues including in *State v. Andujar*, in which the Court held that improper peremptory jury strikes motivated by “implicit or unconscious bias” violate the N.J. Constitution.

He is passionate about issues concerning high incarceration rates, police conduct, domestic and international human rights, DEIJ (Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Justice), and race.

The recipient of numerous honors and awards, in 2018 he was given the Professional Lawyer of the Year Award from the Federal Bar of New Jersey and in 2022 the Daniel J. O’Hern Award by the New Jersey Commission on Professionalism in the Law.