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Zipperstein has practiced law for nearly 40 years in California, Washington D.C. and New York/New Jersey. Zipperstein worked as a law firm litigator, a federal prosecutor and Justice Department official, and as the Chief Legal Officer of two large companies, Verizon Wireless and BlackBerry. Zipperstein continues to maintain a small, specialized practice representing large corporations in a variety of matters.

Zipperstein has been elected to the American Law Institute and named a Life Fellow of the American Bar Foundation.

Before his corporate legal career, Zipperstein served for more than 9 years as a federal prosecutor in the United States Attorney's office in Los Angeles. Zipperstein tried more than a dozen federal felony jury trials (including the first-ever prosecution against the owners of a failed savings and loan during the late 1980s), and he argued 23 cases before the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals.

During 1992-93 Zipperstein served at the Justice Department in Washington, DC as Special Counsel to former Criminal Division Chief (later FBI Director and Russia Special Counsel) Robert S. Mueller III.

Attorney General Janet Reno selected Zipperstein to serve as her Counselor during the 1995 congressional hearings regarding the 1993 events at the Branch Davidian compound in Waco, Texas.

Zipperstein graduated from UCLA in 1979 with a bachelor's degree in Political Science with highest honors, and received his law degree in 1983 from U.C. Davis, where he graduated Order of the Coif and served as a Law Review Editor and member of the Moot Court Board.

Zipperstein lectures widely on cybersecurity and issues involving the legal and policy implications of advanced technology. He has testified before Congress on telecommunications policy issues several times.

Zipperstein is a member of the Pacific Council on International Policy. He previously served on the Board of Trustees of the McCarter Theatre Center in Princeton, New Jersey and the Executive Committee of the Friends of the Institute for Advanced Study, also in Princeton.