Areas of Work
Government Affairs & Public Policy, Financial Services, Congressional Oversight & Investigations

Overview
John Collins counsels depository institutions, securities firms, and insurance companies, as well as other types of US and foreign financial organizations, on regulatory, rulemaking, interpretive, and legislative matters. John has represented financial organizations and trade groups for more than 30 years before a number of federal entities, including the Department of the Treasury, Federal Reserve, FDIC, Comptroller of the Currency, and the SEC. He also routinely represents trade associations and institutional clients before Congress in connection with legislative and oversight matters, such as possible revisions to the Dodd-Frank Act, housing finance reform, consumer protection, treatment of international banks in the US, securities law reform, and Congressional investigations.

Prior to joining Steptoe in 1985, John was General Counsel to the US Senate Banking Committee. He had previously been a senior attorney at the Federal Reserve Board in Washington and, prior to that, a staff attorney with the Securities and Exchange Commission, also in Washington.

Bar & Court Admissions
- District of Columbia
- Massachusetts

Education
- LL.M., Georgetown University Law Center, Taxation
- J.D., Georgetown University Law Center
- B.A., College of the Holy Cross
Representative Matters

- Counsel major foreign bank on implementation of Dodd-Frank regulatory requirements
- Advise CEO of financial institution client regarding Congressional inquiry and appearances before House and Senate committees
- Represent financial institution and trade group clients before federal bank agencies regarding Basel capital requirements
- Advise foreign banks on US bank and investment adviser licensing requirements
- Represent trade group seeking changes to legislation affecting federal regulation of large banks and swaps regulation
- Advise financial institution on housing finance legislative and regulatory matters
News & Publications

CLIENT ALERTS

Understanding the Main Street Lending Program
June 16, 2020
By: Matthew B. Kulkin, Micah S. Green, John T. Collins, Scott A. Sinder, James D. Barnette, Luis G. Fortuño, Jason Abel, George Callas, Kate Jensen, Josh Oppenheimer, Anna M. Stressenger

PUBLICATIONS

'Buy Now, Pay Later' Services Face Increased Calif. Regulation
Law360
May 15, 2020
By: John T. Collins, Stephanie A. Sheridan, Josh Oppenheimer, Meegan Brooks

MEDIA MENTIONS

Media Cover Steptoe's Post-Election Analysis of 2018 Midterms
November 28, 2018

MEDIA MENTIONS

Law360 Quotes John Collins on Trump’s Financial Reform Agenda
February 6, 2017

MEDIA MENTIONS

MarketsMedia Quotes Steptoe’s Financial Services Team on Trump EO
February 1, 2017

CLIENT ALERTS

One Week Until the 2016 Election - Public Policy Implications
November 2, 2016
By: Jason Abel, James D. Barnette, Leslie A. Beicher, Elizabeth Hurley Burks, Christopher Caron, John T. Collins, R. Timothy Columbus, Michael V. Dunn, Luis G. Fortuño, Jessica Frend, Chelsea Gold, Micah S. Green, Kate Jensen, N. Hunter Johnston, Douglas Kantor, Lisa Mortier, Darryl Nirenberg, Allison Nyholm, Robert Rizzi, Richard Shiits, Scott A. Sinder, Amanda Pedvin Varma, Philip R. West, Lisa M. Zarlenga

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How the 2016 Election Will Affect Public Policy Developments - Part III
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September 27, 2016

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Treasury Department Extends Public Comment Period for Comprehensive US Treasury Market Structure RFI
March 22, 2016
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Resources

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How to Access Treasury Department Funding Under the CARES Act
March 29, 2020
By: Matthew B. Kulkin, Micah S. Green, John T. Collins, Scott A. Sinder, James D. Barnette, Luis G. Fortuño, Jason Abel, George Callas, Kate Jensen, Josh Oppenheimer, Anna M. Stressenger

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Federal Reserve Establishes, Expands Emergency Capital Liquidity Facilities
March 25, 2020
By: Matthew B. Kulkin, Micah S. Green, John T. Collins, Scott A. Sinder, James D. Barnette, Luis G. Fortuño, Jason Abel, George Callas, N. Hunter Johnston, Kate Jensen, Josh Oppenheimer, Anna M. Stressenger

FINANCIAL SERVICES GROUP ADVISORY

US Financial Regulatory Response to COVID-19
March 24, 2020
By: Matthew B. Kulkin, Micah S. Green, John T. Collins, Scott A. Sinder, James D. Barnette, Luis G. Fortuño, Jason Abel, George Callas, Kate Jensen

Events

WEBINARS

Post-Election Recap: Financial Services
Steptoe Covers the Election and Its Impact on You
November 12, 2020
Speakers: Alan Cohn, John T. Collins, Micah S. Green, Matthew B. Kulkin

WEBINARS

Post-Election Recap
Policymaking Agenda for 2019
November 8, 2018
Speakers: Jason Abel, James D. Barnette, Leslie A. Belcher, Elizabeth Hurley Burks, George Callas, John T. Collins, Luis G. Fortuño, Micah S. Green, Kate Jensen, N. Hunter Johnston, Darryl Nirenberg, Scott A. Sinder

WEBINARS

Policymaking Agenda for 2017
Post-Election Recap
November 10, 2016

WEBINARS

US Treasury Market Review
Prelude to a New World Order?
March 10, 2016
Speakers: Micah S. Green, John T. Collins

Noteworthy

- Adjunct professor, Georgetown University Law School
- Past Chair and Board Member, TCU Mutual Funds, New York (1988-2005)
Previous Employment

- General Counsel, US Senate Banking Committee
- Senior Attorney, Federal Reserve Board
- Staff Attorney, Securities and Exchange Commission

Professional Affiliations

- Member and Past Vice Chair, Legislation and Regulatory Subcommittee, Banking Law Committee, American Bar Association
- Member and Past Chair, Executive Council of Banking Law Committee, Federal Bar Association