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**Stephen Sheppard** is a Founding Partner of Cowan, DeBaets, Abrahams & Sheppard LLP, and is a leading transactional attorney with over forty-five years of experience representing a broad range of individuals and companies in the publishing, digital, motion picture, television and other entertainment industries.

His clients include award-winning film directors, leading journalists, network news and documentary film and television producers and production companies, substantial literary estates, entertainment and publishing executives, publishers, and writers. Steve represents a cable television network in connection with various aspects of its production and distribution businesses, and is counsel to a major entertainment industry foundation in connection with productions of network television and multi-media fundraising broadcast events. He has experience in the negotiation and construction of new hybrid business models for individual clients and companies in emerging multi-platform, transmedia, and digital/'through-media' production and publishing ventures.

### PRACTICES

- Copyright
- Entertainment
- IP/Internet Transactions
- Technology
- Trademarks and Brands

### INDUSTRY SECTORS

- Digital Media
- Film
- Publishing
- Software / Apps
- Television (Traditional to Broadband)

### BAR ADMISSIONS

- New York
- District of Columbia

### EDUCATION

- Georgetown University Law Center, JD
- London School of Economics
- Cornell University, BA

### ASSOCIATIONS AND ACTIVITIES

- New York State Bar Association, Committee on Theatre and Performing Arts, Past Chair