

Welcome to ARONBERG GOLDGEHN

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Aronberg Goldgehn Relocates to Chicago Loop



Aronberg Goldgehn has officially changed its Chicago residence, moving away from the firm's River North location to a new Loop office located at 225 West Washington Street, Suite 2800, effective May 1, 2023.

The firm's fresh space is situated in the city's center — close to courthouses and government buildings, as well as transportation options like Union Station, Ogilvie and CTA.



Chicago Office Featured in Chicago Lawyer Magazine

Chicago Lawyer Magazine spoke with the firm to discuss the Chicago office's recent move from River North to the Chicago Loop and what drove their decision-making for the new space.



100 YEARS – TWO LOCATIONS:



One North LaSalle Street



330 North Wabash Avenue

Newman & Northrup

1892-1895



Jacob Newman

"**Mr. Newman** is one of those lawyers who may with truth be said to be a specialist in all branches of law, so wide is his knowledge of each of them. He has been identified with many important cases, but is remembered most prominently, perhaps, with the litigation of the Chicago Gas Trust."

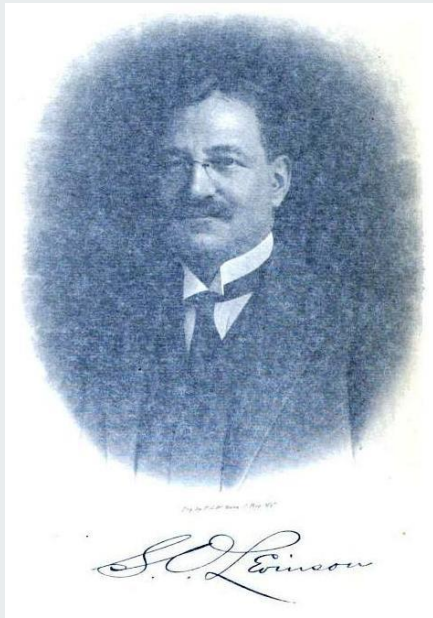


GEO. W. NORTHROP
DECEMBER 21, 1900

"He was an expert common law and chancery pleader, and a brief writer of marked ability, and had made a specialty of municipal law, particularly the law of trusts and illegal combinations. He had inherited from his distinguished father a mind of rare grasp and analytical power, and he was never more happy than when engaged in working out some difficult and intricate legal problem."

Newman Northrup & Levinson

1896-1902



Salmon Oliver Levinson was made partner and the firm became known as **Newman Northrup & Levinson** in 1896.

"He has a wide and extended acquaintance with the best writers of English and reads them with keen discrimination and appreciation. He has one of the largest and best selected private libraries in Chicago."

"He is a man of unimpeachable integrity and of high character. Probably no firm in Chicago stands better or is more implicitly trusted by the bankers generally of this city than is his firm."

Salmon Levinson

(1865-1941)



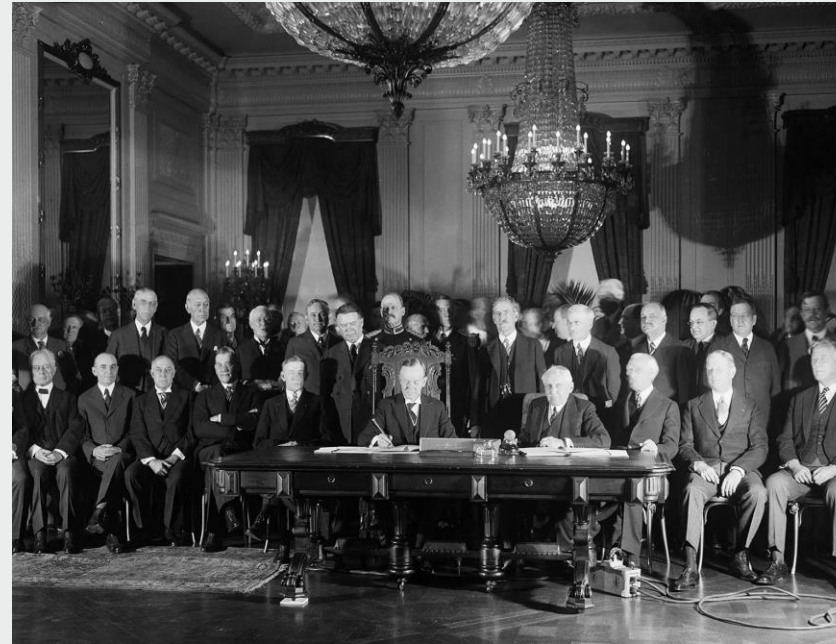
Corporate & Banking Lawyer

After WWI focused on
International Peace Efforts

Draftsman of the Kellog-Briand
Pact of Paris of 1928

Made resort to War a violation of
International Law

Kellogg-Briand Pact of Paris



- Named After US Secretary of State & French Foreign Minister
- Independent International Agreement (Not thru League of Nations)
- France, Germany & US original signatory countries
- Ridiculed as ineffective in preventing WWII

Nuremburg & Tokyo War Crime Tribunals:

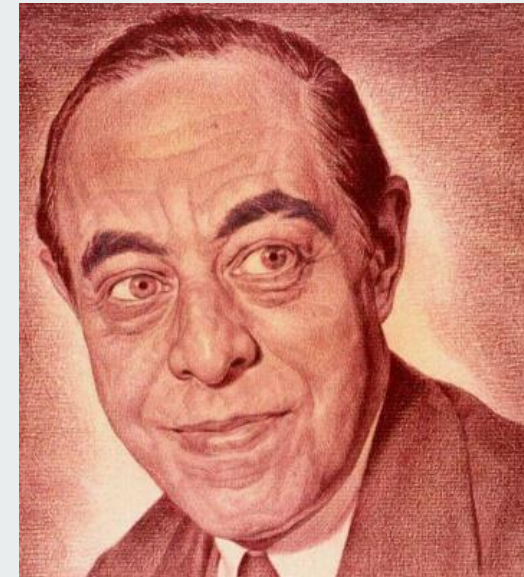


Kellog-Briand Pact Provides Legal Basis for Prosecution and Execution of Many Nazi Leaders

Jerome Frank

(1889-1957)

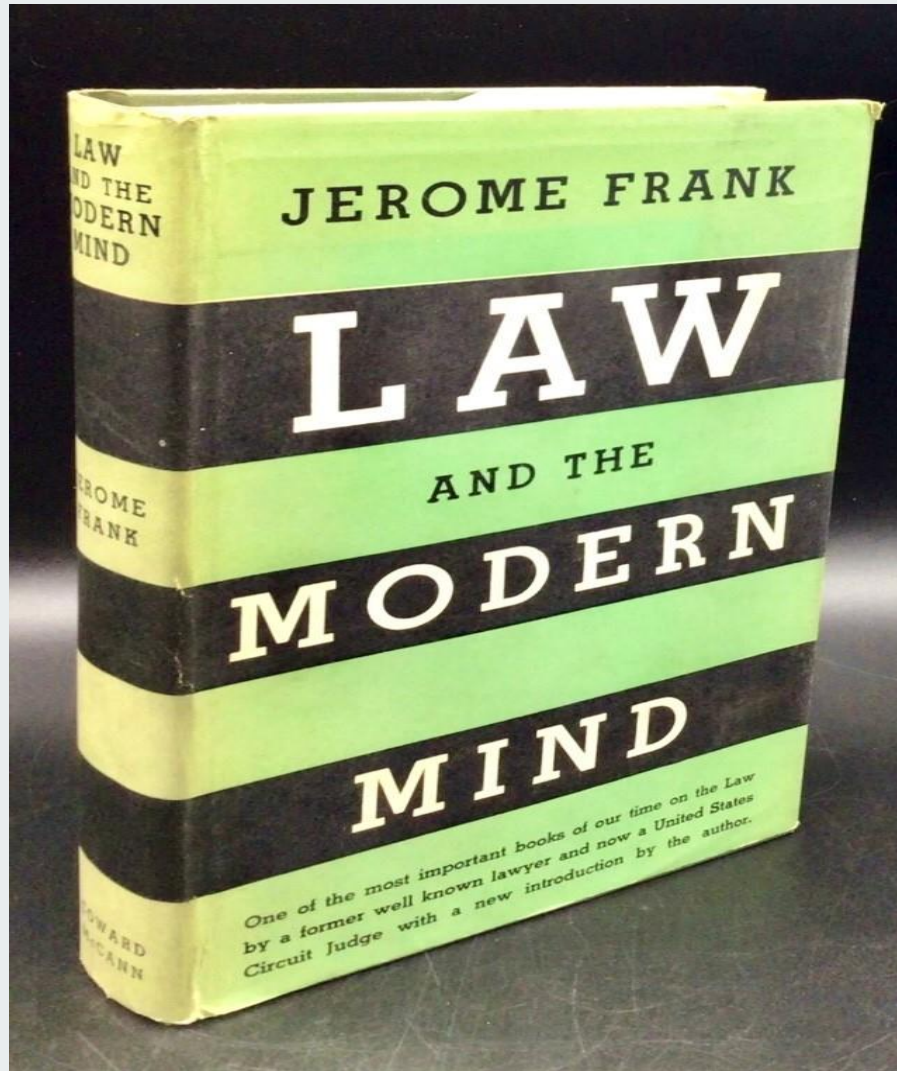
In March 1913, **Jerome Frank** became a member of the firm, which had changed its name to **Levinson, Becker, Cleveland and Schwartz**. The firm specialized in corporate reorganizations and in corporate financial problems.



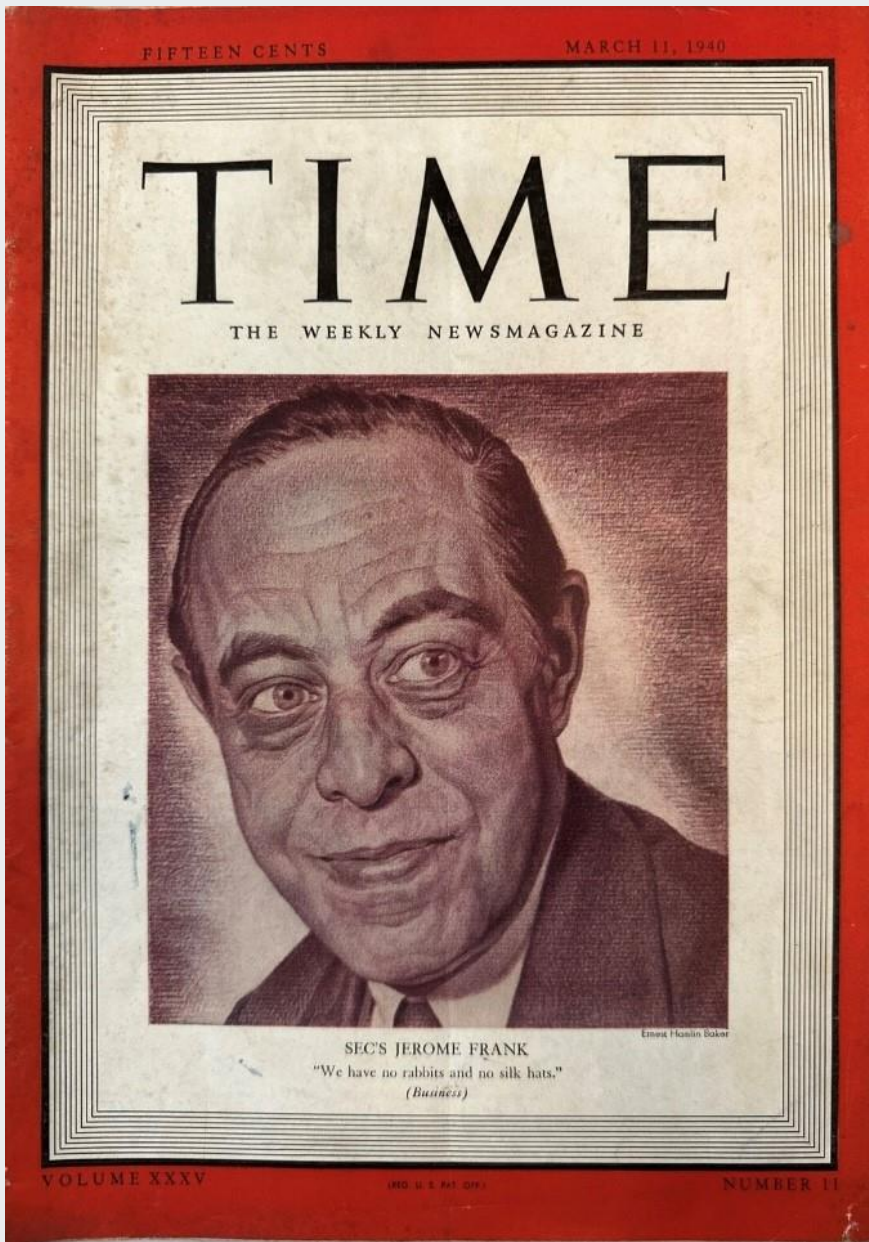
Jerome Frank, National Portrait Gallery
Smithsonian Institution

Jerome Frank

1929: A Consequential Year



- Lived in New York while working on a legal case
- Underwent Six months of Psychoanalysis
- Returned to Chicago
- Finished "Law & The Modern Mind"
- Published in 1930
- The book was a sensation
- Resigned from the Firm
- Moved to New York



Jerome Frank

1933-1957: Public Life

- 1933: Joined FDR's New Deal Administration, as General Counsel of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration
- 1935: Fired as part of purge of Leftist and suspected communist lawyers in the New Deal
- 1937: Appointed to the Securities Exchange Commission
- 1939: Replaced William O. Douglas as SEC Chairman
- 1941: Appointed by Roosevelt to the 2nd Circuit Court of Appeals in New York

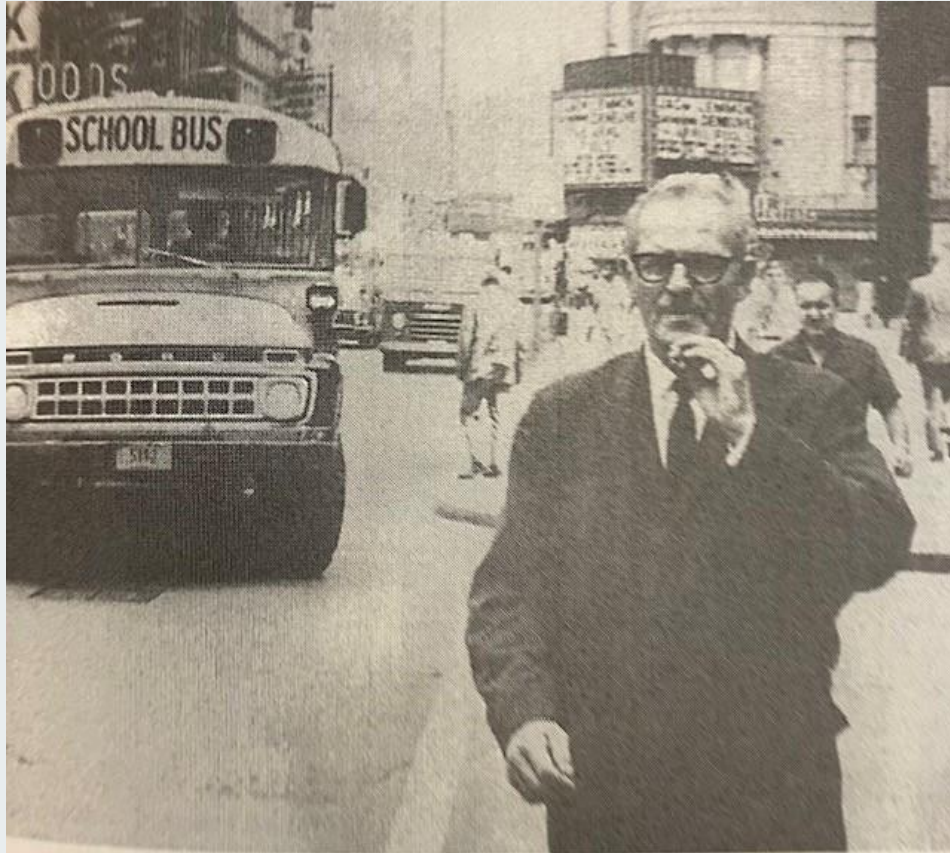
Frank Greenburg

(1911-1984)

- In 1969, allegations of judicial malfeasance by a citizen activist were made against two Illinois Supreme Court justices
- The allegations were that the two judges held stock in small Chicago bank when they both voted to affirm the dismissal of state contract fraud charges against an officer of the bank. *People v Isaacs*.
- A flurry of media coverage prompted the Court to appoint a special commission to investigate, to be led by the incoming presidents of the Chicago Bar Association, **Frank Greenberg**, and the Illinois State Bar Association, **Henry Pitts**.
- Greenburg and Pitts named three other members to the Commission. When Frank Greenburg was elected Chairman of the Commission (and Pitts the Vice Chair) the investigation was thereafter referred to in the press and as the “Greenberg Commission”
- The Illinois Supreme Court set a short deadline for the Commission to complete its work – just six weeks during the sweltering summer of 1969.



The Justices



Associate Justice Ray Klingbiel



Chief Justice Roy Solfisberg



John Paul Stevens, Counsel to the
Greenburg Commission

Summer in the City



Chicago Cubs lose division title to eventual
world champion New York Mets

Final Report

FINDINGS OF FACT:

- Roy Solfisburg bought his shares of bank stock
- Ray Klingbiel was gifted his shares
- The justices did not disclose their ownership

CONCLUSIONS:

"The integrity of the judgment in the Isaacs case is affected by what we have found to be the appearance of impropriety on the part of two of the Justices ... who participated in that decision."

"The Commission believes that the confidence of the public and the Bar in the Court ... has been severely shaken by the facts disclosed in this record."

"The Commission believes that such confidence can best be restored by the prompt resignation of the two justices."



2024 – 2025 CBA President and DCBA President



Aronberg Goldgehn made history as two firm partners are sworn in as Presidents of leading bar associations.

Congratulations **Karen R. Mills** on becoming the *DuPage County Bar Association* President and **John C. Sciacotta** on becoming the *Chicago Bar Association* President.

