

Debtor-Creditor Relations

Our firm enjoys Martindale-Hubbe's highest legal and ethical rating for a law firm. We are recognized for top shelf, cost effective legal solutions in all matters involving debtor-creditor relations, including the following:

- Bankruptcy.
- Out-of-court workouts and restructurings.
- Bankruptcy avoidance litigation (Preferences, Fraudulent Transfers etc.).
- Claims allowance litigation.
- Asset and debt acquisitions inside and outside of bankruptcy cases.
- Commercial collections.
- Structuring and drafting leases, contracts and other business transactions to protect against the non-performance, insolvency and/or bankruptcy of counter parties.
- Representation of secured and unsecured creditors in all matters.
- Pre-judgment remedies.
- Post-judgment remedies.
- Replevin actions.
- Valuation actions.
- Receiverships.
- Lien priority disputes (putting liens on and picking them off).
- Commercial leases, contracts and other transactions.
- Real estate acquisitions and divestitures (commercial and residential).
- Real estate disclosure law litigation (commercial and consumer).

- Asset protection.
- Secured and unsecured financing.
- Alternative Dispute Resolution (mediation, arbitration and early neutral evaluation).
- Local counsel.

Some representative examples of our debtor-creditor relations work:

- Represented one of the co-owners of the Pittsburgh Penguins National Hockey League Team in its successful bankruptcy reorganization and sale of the team to Mario Lemieux.
- Served as outside bankruptcy counsel to a multi-national equipment lender and lessor, handling over 3,500 cases in virtually every bankruptcy jurisdiction in the United States.
- Recovered 100% of a National Security Company's \$2.2 Million receivable from a regional healthcare system.
- Recovered 100% of a general contractor's \$1 Million general claim against LTV Steel.
- Represent the owner and manager of the Empire State Building in its commercial real estate leasing and development matters in Pennsylvania.
- Recovered 100% of an insurance company's \$1 Million claim against an individual by using the individual's \$100,000 settlement offer (his best offer) to purchase a \$1 Million + life insurance policy on his life, naming the insurance company as the beneficiary.
- Represented a former Pittsburgh Steeler in the acquisition of land out of a bankruptcy case and the subsequent development, financing, and construction of a strip mall.
- One of our most memorable professional accolades: "We admire your athletic drafting." (comment on written work

product from a Member of the Revised Uniform Commercial Code (“UCC”) Article 9 Committee, and Chair of the UCC Committee of the American Bar Association Section of Business Law).