

# David H. Stein

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#### **Practices**

Bankruptcy and Creditors' Rights Banking & Financial Services

#### Education

J.D., University of Baltimore School of Law, 1986, *cum laude*, *Heusler Honor Society (top 10% of class)*B.A., Rutgers University, 1982

#### **Admissions**

New Jersey, 1987 Third Circuit Court of Appeals, 2004 United States District Court, District of New Jersey, 1987 Supreme Court of New Jersey, 1987

## Memberships

American Bar Association, Business Law Section, 1996-Present

New Jersey State Bar Association, Debtor/Creditor Section, 1988-Present

New Jersey State Bar Association, Equity Jurisprudence Committee, 2017-Present

New Jersey State Bar Association, Business and Commercial Litigation Committee, 2017-Present Turnaround Management Association, 2007-Present Essex County Bar Association, David H. Stein is a shareholder at Wilentz, Goldman & Spitzer, P.A. and co-chair of the firm's Banking and Financial Services group and the Bankruptcy and Creditors' Rights group. Mr. Stein focuses his practice on lending, work-outs, commercial litigation, business reorganization, foreclosure litigation, asset recovery and judgment enforcement matters.

Mr. Stein has significant courtroom experience in the litigation of complex commercial matters, enforcement and priority of liens, claims and security interests and other matters affecting the debtor-creditor relationship. His clients have included banks, financial institutions, leasing creditors, creditors' committees, trustees, debtors, receivers, commercial landlords and purchasers of distressed assets.

In 2021, Mr. Stein was appointed to the Roster of Mediators maintained by the New Jersey Administrative Office of the Courts pursuant to R. 1:40-2.

### Rankings/Recognitions

- Selected for inclusion in Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business in Bankruptcy/Restructuring since 2014
- Selected for inclusion in Best Lawyers in America since 2013 for Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law; "Lawyer of the Year" in 2019
- Selected for inclusion in New Jersey Super Lawyers since 2005
- Martindale-Hubbell AV Preeminent Peer Review Rating
- Certificate of Appreciation by the New Jersey Supreme Court in recognition for "Meritorious Public Service," having served as a member of the District Fee Arbitration Committee of Essex County, NJ, 2010
- Certificate of Appreciation by the New Jersey Supreme Court in recognition for "Meritorious Public Service," having served as a member of the District Ethics Committee of Essex County, NJ, 2004
- Certificate of Appreciation by the Superior Court of New Jersey,

1988-Present

Essex County Bar Association, Trustee, 2007-2013

UJA Federation of New York - Next Generation Bankruptcy and Reorganization Group, 2007-2019 Appointment, Panel Chair, District VIII Fee Arbitration Committee, Middlesex County, New Jersey, 2013-2017

Middlesex County Regional Chamber of Commerce, Board of Directors, New Jersey, 2013– Present

Middlesex County Regional Chamber of Commerce, Trustee, 2013-2021

American Bankruptcy Institute, Co-Chair, Bankruptcy Taxation Committee, 2005-2009

Supreme Court of New Jersey, District V-A Ethics Committee, 2000-2004

Essex County, District V-A Fee Arbitration Committee, New Jersey, 2006- 2008

Essex County, Vice Chair of the District V-A Fee Arbitration Committee, New Jersey, 2008-2009

Essex County, Chair of the District V-A Fee Arbitration Committee, New Jersey, 2009-2010 Union County Vicinage, in recognition for "Distinguished Service," having served as a member of the Springfield Township Juvenile Conference Committee, 2001

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## **Speaking Engagements**

- "Best Practices for Presentation of Testimony and the Art of Persuasion," 2020 NJCPA Virtual Business Valuation and Litigation Conference, Woodbridge NJ, September 2020
- "Bankruptcy in Employment Litigation," National Employment Lawyers Association, NJ Chapter, New Brunswick NJ, May 2017
- "New Jersey Ethics Procedures," 18th Annual Hon. William H.
  Ginden Bankruptcy Bench-Bar Conference, East Brunswick NJ, April 2016
- "Recent Events and Notable Decisions in Bankruptcy and Cases of Interest to Commercial Lending," OceanFirst Bank CLE Program, Toms River NJ, October 2015
- "Economic Forum V," Edison Chamber of Commerce, Edison NJ, June 2013
- "Chapter 11 Bankruptcy Key Strategies for Helping Your Clients," New Jersey Institute for Continuing Legal Education, Iselin NJ. November 2012
- "Economic Forum IV What You Need To Know To Do Business Today," Edison Chamber of Commerce and the New Jersey State Chamber of Commerce, Edison NJ, October 2012
- "Brokerage Case Law Update and Issues Relating to Grubb & Ellis Bankruptcy," Woodbridge NJ, March 2012