



Andrew A. DePeau

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Andrew A. DePeau represents clients in the banking, finance, and manufacturing industries and has handled matters involving business torts, contract disputes, bankruptcy and creditors' rights, and real estate issues. He is a member of our firm's Business Litigation and Bankruptcy + Reorganizations groups, with a focus on business litigation, bankruptcy, and dispute resolution.

Business Litigation

Andrew represents business clients nationwide in a variety of lawsuits in state and federal courts across the country. He has also represented clients in arbitrations, mediations, and other alternative dispute resolution forums, as well as on appeal. Andrew has significant courtroom experience, representing clients at multiple trials and evidentiary hearings. Additionally, he has helped clients avoid trial by obtaining favorable decisions on numerous motions to dismiss and motions for summary judgment. Most recently, Andrew was able to obtain summary judgment on behalf of a plaintiff in state court, which led to a seven-figure settlement for the client.

Financial Services + Contract Litigation

Andrew represents banks, investment management companies, insurance companies, and others in the financial services industry. He has represented investment management companies and their officers against claims of negligence, breach of fiduciary duty, and intentional mismanagement. Andrew also has successfully assisted clients in complying with third-party subpoenas and responding to threats of litigation. He also works with a variety of financial institutions in breach of contract actions, foreclosures, and post-judgment enforcement.

Andrew represents a wide range of businesses in the resolution of contract disputes. He is often called upon to evaluate and provide pre-litigation guidance on contract issues and then to negotiate resolutions with the contract counter-party. Andrew often has been able to obtain favorable resolutions for his clients either prior to a lawsuit being filed or shortly thereafter.

Bankruptcy + Creditor's Rights Litigation

Andrew represents clients in a variety of bankruptcy matters, including Chapter 11 debtors and secured and unsecured creditors. His bankruptcy experience includes litigation of fraudulent transfer claims, preference claims, adversary proceedings, and relief from stay disputes. Andrew has handled various creditors' rights disputes, including representing mortgagees and landlords in foreclosure proceedings.

Prior to joining our firm, Andrew was a law clerk for Judge F. Herbert Gruendel of the Connecticut Appellate Court. During law school, he was an intern law clerk for the State of Connecticut and two Hartford-based corporations. He was awarded the Bankruptcy Medal of Honor and the Aspen Law and Business Award for Evidence and received the top grade in seven of his law school courses.

In addition to his legal experience, Andrew has substantial experience in business. Prior to attending law school, he spent eight years working for a successful start-up business that conducts investigations of hedge fund managers for banks, large endowments, family offices, and fund-of-funds.

Services

- Bankruptcy + Reorganizations
- Appellate
- Creditors' Rights
- Business Litigation + Dispute Resolution
- Litigation

Education

- University of Connecticut School of Law (Juris Doctor, *with high honors*)
- University of Connecticut School of Business (Masters)
 - M.B.A., Finance
- University of Connecticut (Bachelors)
 - B.S., Business Administration

Admissions

- State of Connecticut
- U.S. District Court, District of Connecticut
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York
- U.S. Bankruptcy Court, District of Connecticut

Recognitions

Selected as a Rising Star to the Connecticut *Super Lawyers* list from 2017 to 2024

Selected by his peers for inclusion in Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch in the area of Commercial Litigation from 2021 to 2025

Robinson+Cole Community Service Award, 2022

Named to the Connecticut Coalition Against Domestic Violence (CCADV) First 100 Plus Class of 2023 for demonstrating leadership and commitment to improving the lives of domestic violence survivors throughout Connecticut

Leadership + Memberships

Connecticut Bar Association

American Bar Association

Oliver Ellsworth American Inn of Court (2016)

Turnaround Management Association (2017)

Boys and Girls Clubs of Hartford

Board of Trustees (2021 - Present)

South Park Inn (2021 - 2025)

Vice President
Past Secretary
Board of Directors