

David H. Stein

Shareholder

T: 732.855.6126

F: 732.726.6570

dstein@wilentz.com



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.

Each year between 1997 and 2007, Mr. Stein was a contributing author of "Risks and Recoveries, Developments In Bankruptcy Law", a Duane Morris annual publication.

Rankings/Recognitions

- Selected for inclusion in *New Jersey Super Lawyers* since 2005
- Selected for inclusion in *Best Lawyers in America* since 2013 for Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law; 2019 "Lawyer of the Year"
- Selected for inclusion in *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business in Bankruptcy/Restructuring* since 2014
- 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

Chambers USA® (<https://chambers.com/research/methodology>) is published by Chambers and Partners. Super Lawyers® (http://www.superlawyers.com/about/selection_process_detail.html) is published by Thomson Reuters. Best Lawyers in America® (<https://www.bestlawyers.com/methodology>) is published by Best Lawyers in partnership with U.S. News & World Report. Martindale-Hubbell® (<https://www.martindale.com/ratings-and-reviews/>) is published by Internet Brands, Inc. A description of the selection processes may be accessed via the above links. The aforementioned organizations are private peer review organizations, not court-specific, public certification vehicles. No aspect of this advertisement has been submitted to or approved by the Supreme Court of New Jersey.

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