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Practice Areas

[Banking & Financial Services](#)

[Bankruptcy, Workouts & Financial Restructuring](#)

[Corporate & Business Transactions](#)

[Employment Law](#)

[Litigation & Dispute Resolution](#)

[Real Estate Law](#)

[Sports & Entertainment Law](#)

Jonathan Margolies has been engaged in practice for over 25 years with primary emphasis on a broad spectrum of commercial law and financial services including banking law and enforcement of creditor rights, secured transactions, debtor-creditor relations, corporate bankruptcies and workouts, commercial transactions and documentation, corporate formations, acquisitions, business litigation, and appellate practice. He regularly represents an array of institutional lenders, middle-market businesses, and start-up companies. His litigation practice encompasses both state and federal courts as well as bankruptcy courts throughout the country.

Mr. Margolies' financial services practice has involved representation of many leading banks in the Kansas City area as well as national and international lenders. Lenders consult with him on a broad spectrum of financial issues including loan documentation, perfection of collateral, Uniform Commercial Code problems and solutions, workouts, debt restructuring and refinancing, enforcement of lender rights and remedies, and commercial litigation. Mr. Margolies' substantial knowledge and experience in debtor-creditor law facilitates the rapid formulation and implementation of legal strategies including, but not limited to, prosecution of litigation that provides maximum results for his clientele.

Mr. Margolies' business practice includes the representation of corporate clients on a wide array of commercial issues including preparation and review of contracts, purchase and sale transactions, employment matters and financing. He also provides legal counsel to entrepreneurs and start-up companies on formation and financing issues as well as the various commercial matters facing such clients at the outset of their business ventures.

In the corporate bankruptcy arena, Mr. Margolies' practice encompasses the full gamut of business issues including debtor-in-possession financing, cash collateral, stay relief litigation, prosecution and defense of preferences and other avoidance actions, asset sales, lien perfection and priority disputes, claim disputes, and plan confirmation litigation. His representation extends to a wide range of parties including secured and unsecured creditors, debtors, creditors' committees, trustees, and governmental agencies. He has participated in many of the largest corporate bankruptcies in the Kansas City metropolitan area over the last two decades including the Hammons hotel group, O&S Trucking, Trilogy Development, Crescent Oil, Farmland Industries, Payless Cashways, Franklin Savings Corporation, AcoustiSeal, Dickinson Theatres, Kroh Brothers and Grant Industries. In his role as the lead counsel for corporate debtors, Mr. Margolies recently has successfully reorganized two area companies.

Distinctions

[Distinction selection information](#)

Super Lawyers, Bankruptcy and Creditor/Debtor Rights, 2007-2012; Bankruptcy, 2013; Bankruptcy: Business, 2014 to the present
Selected as *Best of the Bar* by *The Kansas City Business Journal*, 2011
Best Lawyers in Kansas City 2012 - *Ingrams Magazine*
Best Lawyers in America, 2010 to present
AV® Preeminent™ Rated by Martindale Hubbell

Memberships

American Bar Association
Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association
American Bankruptcy Institute
Featured speaker, numerous seminars on topics of interest to institutional lenders, corporate officers and attorneys

Education

College of William and Mary, Marshall-Wythe School of Law (J.D., 1980, Notes and Comments Editor, Law Review)

University of Michigan (B.A., 1977, *cum laude*)

Court Admissions

U.S. Supreme Court
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal
Court
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth
Circuit
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth
Circuit
U.S. District Court for the District of
Colorado
U.S. District Court for the District of
Kansas
U.S. District Court for the Western
District of Missouri
U.S. District Court for the Eastern
District of Missouri
U.S. Court of Federal Claims
U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of
Kansas
U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Western
District of Missouri
U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern
District of Missouri

Bar Admissions

Missouri
Colorado