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Mark has expertise in representing banks, commercial lenders, private equity funds, equipment lessors and other financial service providers. With over 30 years of experience representing financial institutions, Mark is able to anticipate issues, see trends develop and provide practical solutions to meet his clients' business objectives.

He has been recognized by his peers and selected to the Oregon *Super Lawyers* list for nine straight years (2006-2014) for his banking expertise and named as one of *The Best Lawyers in America*® 2010-2014 in the specialty area of banking law.

Mark has extensive experience in representing commercial lenders and equipment lessors in commercial loan and lease documentation, real estate financings, workout negotiations, portfolio acquisitions, collections and bankruptcy matters. Mark also has broad experience in handling corporate and commercial law matters with an emphasis on mergers and acquisitions, and has handled numerous mergers and acquisitions for public and private companies throughout the western United States.

Awards

2012 Best Lawyers Portland Banking and Finance Lawyer of the Year
2007 President's Public Service Award from the Oregon State Bar
2006 Volunteer of the Year Award from United Cerebral Palsy Association of Oregon and Southwest Washington
2002 Professionalism Award from the Multnomah Bar Association
2002 President's Affirmative Action Award from the Oregon State Bar
1988 Stone Soup Award from the Oregon Food Bank

Bar and Community Involvement

Mark is a member of the Business Law Section of the American Bar Association and the Business Law and Debtor-Creditor Sections of the Oregon State Bar. He served on the Equipment Leasing and Finance Association Legal Committee from 2010 through 2012.

He is past-president of the Oregon Law Foundation and Campaign for Equal Justice and has served as a member of the Executive Committee of the Oregon State Bar Debtor-Creditor Section, the Board of Directors of the Multnomah Bar Association, as well as its treasurer, representative to the American Bar Association House of Delegates, and the Board of Directors and Executive Committee of the United Cerebral Palsy Association of Oregon and Southwest Washington.

Education

Cornell Law School (J.D., with honors, 1978); Business Editor for the Cornell International Law Journal
University of Oregon (B.B.A. Marketing, 1975); Beta Gamma Sigma (business honorary society)

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Jason's practice focuses primarily on commercial collections and litigation, bankruptcy matters and enforcement of creditors' rights where he protects clients' interests, rights and remedies both inside and outside court proceedings. He regularly represents equipment leasing companies and other commercial lenders in litigation and bankruptcy matters to protect their collateral and maximize their recovery, and is an active member of the Equipment Leasing and Finance Association (ELFA) and the Lease Enforcement Attorney Network (LEAN). Jason also has significant experience representing receivers and lenders in receivership proceedings. Jason is also a member-at-large for the Oregon State Bar Debtor-Creditor Executive Committee.

Jason represents commercial and consumer creditors in Oregon and Washington on the following matters:

- Chapter 7, 12, 11 and 13 bankruptcy cases
- Bankruptcy litigation, including nondischargeability actions
- Commercial collection and replevin actions
- Pre-judgment and post-judgment executions, garnishments, and provisional process actions
- Receiverships
- Equipment lease enforcement and collection
- Non-judicial and judicial real estate foreclosures
- Contract forfeitures
- Construction lien foreclosures

Education

Lewis & Clark Law School (J.D. and Certificate in Natural Resources Law, 2000)

University of Virginia (B.A. Economics, 1996)

London School of Economics, International in London, England

Admissions

Oregon State Bar

Washington State Bar

U.S. Bankruptcy Court, District of Oregon

U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Western District of Washington

U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Eastern District of Washington

U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit

U.S. District Court for the District of Oregon

U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Washington

U.S. District Court for the Western District of Washington

Professional Associations

Multnomah County Bar Association

Oregon State Bar Association

Oregon State Bar Debtor-Creditor Section

Washington State Bar Association

American Bankruptcy Institute

Equipment Leasing and Finance Association

Lease Enforcement Attorney Network

Risk Management Association