



I have learned the importance of knowing when to compromise and when to stand my ground. I view myself as a problem solver, bringing my years of experience to all matters and using my abilities in the best interest of my clients. I pursue a pragmatic approach to resolving conflict in order to achieve the client's objectives efficiently and achieve a successful resolution without unnecessary cost.

Mr. Bruck's practice focuses primarily in the areas of bankruptcy, reorganization, shareholder disputes and complex distressed corporate transactions. He represents stakeholders in out of court arrangements, restructurings, state court receiverships and Chapter 11 bankruptcy proceedings. He is an approved mediator for the U.S. Bankruptcy Court, District of New Jersey.

With a foundation that includes insolvency proceedings, commercial foreclosures, receiverships, real estate and commercial transactions, Mr. Bruck brings a broad understanding of the dynamics between borrowers, guarantors, landlords, tenants and lenders to his representation of clients in commercial matters including Chapter 11 reorganizations and matters in the Superior and District Courts of New Jersey.

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HONORS & AWARDS

 Listed in The Best Lawyers in America© (a trademark of Woodward/ White, Inc.) for Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and

Departments

Litigation

Practice Groups

Alternative Dispute Resolution Bankruptcy & Financial Restructuring

Education

Rutgers University School of Law, Newark, J.D., 1968

Tufts University, B.A., 1965

Bar Admissions

New Jersey, 1968

U.S. District Court, District of New Jersey, 1968

U.S. Court of Appeals, Third Circuit, 1983

U.S. Tax Court, 1983



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Reorganization Law and Litigation - Bankruptcy practice areas (2007 - present)

- Selected by Best Lawyers® (a trademark of Woodward/White, Inc.) as 2022 Woodbridge "Lawyer of the Year" in Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law; as 2020 Woodbridge "Lawyer of the Year" in Litigation-Bankruptcy; and as 2017 Woodbridge "Lawyer of the Year" in Litigation-Bankruptcy
- Listed in *New Jersey Super Lawyers* (a Thomson Reuters business) in the Bankruptcy: Business, Business Litigation, Real Estate: Business, Creditor Debtor Rights: Business and Real Estate: Business practice areas (2012 – present)
- Martindale-Hubbell Peer Review Rated AV® Preeminent (a trademark of Internet Brands, Inc.) (1979 present)

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REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

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- Mr. Bruck worked closely with members of our real estate group on the sale of the Woodbridge Hilton to WBCMT, a securitized lender. The sale was part of the Chapter 11 bankruptcy proceeding of Inn at Woodbridge Inc. in which Mr. Bruck represented the debtor.
- Mr. Bruck confirmed a Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization for Branchburg Commerce Park LLC. The
 debtor emerged from Chapter 11 with a modified mortgage loan negotiated during the Chapter 11 and
 will be paying creditors approximately 15% over a number of years. The debtor owns and manages a
 commercial condominium consisting of office and warehouse space.
- Mr. Bruck recently represented the debtor Munire Furniture Company Inc. in a Chapter 11 proceeding in the Trenton Vicinage. Munire was a manufacturer and distributor of children's furniture. During the process the assets of Munire were sold to Heritage Baby Products LLC.

UNIQUELY NJ

- New Jersey State Bar Association: Bankruptcy Section
- Essex County Bar Association
- New Jersey Bankruptcy American Inn of Court Master
- Turnaround Management Association New Jersey Chapter: Chapter 11 Subgroup
- Federal Bar Association New Jersey Chapter (past President)



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MORE ACTIVITIES & EXPERIENCE

- U.S. Bankruptcy Court: District of New Jersey Court-Approved Mediator
- American Bar Association
- American Bankruptcy Institute

PRESENTATIONS & SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

Speaker, Healthcare Providers and Hospitals in the Age of COVID-19: A Look at Bankruptcy & Creditors' Rights Issues and Strategies

Sponsor: Greenbaum, Rowe, Smith & Davis LLP, NJ Hospital Association, NJ Healthcare Financial

Management Association, and Medical Society of NJ, December 1, 2020

Presenter, Environmentally Contaminated Property Issues When Owners Face Insolvency

Sponsor: Greenbaum, Rowe, Smith & Davis LLP webinar, February 15, 2011

Speaker, Annual Meeting

Sponsor: New Jersey Coalition of Automotive Retailers, October 15, 2008

Panelist, Special Issues for Homebuilders in Chapter 11 Bankruptcy

Hot Topics for Home Builders in Bankruptcy, Bloomberg L.P.

May 2008

Panelist, Doing Business in a 'Challenging' Market: How To Weather The Storm and Live To Fight Another Day

Sponsor: Atlantic Builders Convention, April 2008

Lecturer, Legal Issues Facing Homebuilders in Chapter 11 Bankruptcy Sponsor: New Jersey Institute for Continuing Legal Education, 2008

Lecturer, Mortgage Foreclosures

Sponsor: New Jersey Institute for Continuing Legal Education

Lecturer, **Construction Loan Workouts** Sponsor: *Professional Education Services*

PUBLICATIONS & ALERTS

Author, Is the Right to File Bankruptcy for Real Estate Borrowers Truly Protected? Probate & Property, American Bar Association, November/December 2020



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Author, The Impact of the Bankruptcy Code on the Claims of Contractors and Subcontractors in New Jersey

Dimensions, Spring 2020

Author, Potential Bankruptcy Strategies for Stakeholders in Real Estate Transactions; Relevant Provisions of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code

Greenbaum, Rowe, Smith & Davis LLP Client Alert, April 9, 2020

Author, The CARES Act: Expansion of Bankruptcy Protections for Small Businesses *Greenbaum, Rowe, Smith & Davis LLP Client Alert*, March 31, 2020

Author, A Message from our Bankruptcy & Financial Restructuring Practice Group Chair *Greenbaum, Rowe, Smith & Davis LLP*, March 19, 2020

Co-Author, The Single Asset Real Estate Debtor New Jersey Law Journal, January 15, 2007

NEWS

Thirty-Four Attorneys from Greenbaum, Rowe, Smith & Davis Selected for Inclusion in 2024 Edition of New Jersey Super Lawyers March 26, 2024

2024 Edition of *Best Lawyers* Recognizes 59 Attorneys in 38 Practice Areas: Twelve Greenbaum Lawyers Recognized on "Ones to Watch" List; Five Selected for "Lawyer of the Year" Recognition August 17, 2023

2023 Edition of *Best Lawyers* Recognizes 51 Attorneys in 36 Practice Areas: Nine Greenbaum Lawyers Recognized on "Ones to Watch" List; Seven Selected for "Lawyer of the Year" Recognition August 18, 2022