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OVERVIEW

A trusted advisor and litigator, Jonathan focuses his practice on business insolvency matters.

Having extensively represented both creditors and debtors, Jonathan is a knowledgeable advocate – believing bankruptcy can be an opportunity to make necessary internal changes while negotiating debt repayment. Creditors, receivers and assignees across industries rely on Jonathan's conversance with the Uniform Commercial Code (UCC), Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA), Fair Debt Collection Practices Act (FDCPA) and other state and federal statutes. Jonathan has litigated disputes in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois, U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Illinois, U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Wisconsin, and Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois, and argued before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit regarding matters including:

- Objections to discharge and dischargeability
- Fraudulent conveyances
- Breach of fiduciary duty
- Claim defense
- Fraud
- Valuation disputes
- Automatic stay relief and violations

Industry

Financial Services & Capital Markets

Services

Insolvency & Commercial Bankruptcy

Litigation & Alternative Dispute Resolution

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- Use of cash collateral
- Plan of reorganization confirmations

Jonathan's client relationships are guided by 10 years practicing within a small family-owned law firm handling complex Chapter 11 and business insolvencies. He enjoys being part of a national Insolvency & Commercial Bankruptcy team, offering cost-effective technology and experience in high-profile liquidation and non-bankruptcy restructuring. Clients appreciate that Jonathan also has a background in commercial and real estate transactions as well as entertainment law, and designs insolvency plans with an eye toward future stability and success for both distressed businesses and their creditors.

Experience

- Obtained 75 percent rent decrease in U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Northern District of Illinois, under tavern lease's *force majeure* clause during the state's COVID-19 stay at home order that restricted restaurant dine-in service. In February 2019 just prior to the pandemic and regulations, the bar/restaurant had filed Chapter 11 bankruptcy and owed $62,000+ in rent.
- Argued before the U.S. Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit, on behalf of client facing complex denial of discharge allegations.
- Authored brief before U.S. Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit, opposing the objection to sale by bankruptcy trustee and asset purchaser.

Education

- J.D., Tulane University Law School
- B.A., St. John's College

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Admissions

- Illinois
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Michigan
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Wisconsin
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit

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