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**Areas of Concentration**

Business Litigation
Bankruptcy and Financial Restructuring

Experience

Mr. Bennett handles complex commercial litigation involving financial institutions, contracts, corporate issues, including directors' and officers' claims, dispute's among members of closed coporations, and insolvency. The current focus of his practice is on rights and remedies for debtors and creditors in corporate Chapter 11 cases.

He devotes a substantial amount of time to banking and lending litigation, representing both borrowers and banking institutions in commercial disputes. Mr. Bennett has tried numerous jury and jury-waived cases concerning business torts, unfair trade practices, and insolvency issues.

Mr. Bennett has appeared in the trial courts of Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, the Massachusetts Appeals Court, the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court, numerous U.S. District Courts including for Massachusetts, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, Delaware, and the Southern District of New York, and the U.S. Court of Appeals for the First, Third, and Eighth Circuits, as well as before state and local administrative agencies.

Mr. Bennett formerly served as an Assistant District Attorney for Middlesex County.

Representative Engagements

- Represented failed hospital in effort to recover against its lender for breach of loan agreements and against the hospital board of trustees for breach of fiduciary duty and negligence.
- Represented a law firm and certain individual partners in defense of a claim brought by a former client for breach of fiduciary duty and violation of state and federal securities law.
- Represented officers and directors of a manufacturing firm in the defense of an action for breach of fiduciary duty in connection with a sale of the company.
- Represented officers and directors of an international consulting firm for breach of fiduciary duty in connection with officers' compensation and distributions.
- Currently representing officers and directors of a textile company in connection with the bankruptcy of the company and inquiries into the officers' and directors' conduct.
- Multiple current representation of majority shareholders in closed corporations against claims by minority shareholders.

Education

Boston College B.A., *cum laude*, 1970
Boston College Law School, J.D., 1974

Bar and Court Admissions

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U.S. Court of Appeals First Circuit

Professional Involvement

American Bankruptcy Institute
Massachusetts Bar Association
Boston Bar Association