

# JOSEPH A. HESS

SPECIAL COUNSEL



### **AREAS OF PRACTICE**

Insurance Services – Coverage and Bad Faith Litigation Maritime Litigation Construction Injury Litigation General Liability

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### **ADMISSIONS**

Florida 2022

New York 1994

### **EDUCATION**

Catholic University of America (MSLS, summa cum laude, 2000)

Touro College Jacob D. Fuchsberg Law Center (J.D., cum laude, 1993)

State University of New York College at Oneonta (B.S., magna cum laude, 1987)

# **OVERVIEW**

Joe Hess is a member of the firm's Casualty Department. He focuses his practice in the areas of insurance defense, insurance coverage, property and casualty, construction negligence, commercial litigation, and admiralty and maritime claims. Joe also has extensive experience in federal court actions, including practicing before numerous federal bankruptcy and district courts, as well as the U.S. Courts of Appeal.

Joe is admitted in Florida and New York. He is also admitted to the U.S. District Courts for the Eastern, Northern, Southern and Western Districts of New York and the U.S. Courts of Appeal for the Second and Fourth Circuits.

As prior Consumer Financial Services Litigation & Compliance Counsel to the firm, Joe provided a full spectrum of litigation services to financial institutions, creditors, debt collectors, finance companies, insurance companies and other institutions in defense of claims brought under myriad federal consumer financial statutes, including the Federal Credit Reporting Act, the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act and the Telephone Consumer Protection Act. In the area of Bankruptcy Litigation, Joe is a former partner of one of the nation's preeminent law firms with respect to bankruptcy avoidance issues, and has extensive experience prosecuting and defending preference and fraudulent transfer actions.

# ASSOCIATIONS & MEMBERSHIPS

ACA International - The Association of Credit and Collection Professionals

American Association of Law Librarians

American Bankruptcy Institute

NARCA - The National Creditors Bar Association

New York Bar Association

## THOUGHT LEADERSHIP

# On the Pulse...Steady Guidance in a Changing Landscape: A Profile of Consumer Financial Services Litigation and Compliance Practice Group

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### **PUBLICATIONS**

"Prosecuting Preference Actions Post-BAPCPA: Another View Toward a Reliable Statistical Model," ABI Journal, Dec/Jan 2006

# **YEAR JOINED**

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