



John McJunkin

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John McJunkin is managing shareholder in the Washington, D.C. office and a member of Baker Donelson's Board of Directors. He routinely represents creditor clients faced with insolvency/troubled loan issues in and around Washington, D.C., Maryland, and Virginia.

In addition, Mr. McJunkin has a national practice representing and protecting creditors' rights in loan workouts, business bankruptcies, foreclosures, and commercial litigation. He offers clients a broad range of services that include negotiating and documenting workout arrangements of complex lending relationships, and helping commercial borrowers in workout negotiations and bankruptcy planning.

Mr. McJunkin's 27-plus years of commercial litigation experience includes prosecuting and defending lawsuits and arbitrations arising out of lending relationships, as well as contractual matters, real estate disputes, franchise issues, title insurance matters, and business torts. He also has considerable experience litigating technology licensing issues, preferences and fraudulent conveyances, and sales of assets and cash collateral matters in the context of Chapter 11 and Chapter 7 bankruptcies.

Representative Matters

- Lead counsel for lenders in contested foreclosure litigation at large high rise apartment complexes subject to HUD rules and regulations.
- Lead counsel for secured lenders successfully challenging cramdown plans of reorganization in Chapter 11 commercial real estate cases.
- Lead counsel for senior secured lenders in Chapter 11 and converted Chapter 7 cases involving first priority secured loans and mezzanine financing.
- Coordinated auction sales of various businesses in Chapter 11 and Chapter 7 bankruptcy cases and litigated 506(c) and administrative claim issues related to the post-petition operations of multiple debtors.
- Lead U.S. counsel in the loan workout/restructuring of a multinational corporation with substantial assets in Argentina and Brazil.
- Negotiated treatment of \$260 million in secured debt in a proposed pre-arranged plan of reorganization.
- Lead bankruptcy and litigation counsel on behalf of a securitized loan servicer on \$300+ million in loans secured by commercial real estate in multiple states.
- Lead counsel for vendor financier in Chapter 11 cases of telecommunication companies around the country (California, Washington, D.C., New York, Colorado, Delaware, Arizona and Virginia).
- Lead lender's counsel on numerous HUD-insured loans involving litigation and bankruptcy related to large apartment complexes in Virginia, Illinois, South Carolina, Connecticut and the District of Columbia.
- Lead counsel for telecommunications manufacturer in connection with sale of updated telecommunication infrastructure system to Puerto Rican telecom company that filed Chapter 11.
- Multiple cases representing lenders in the hospitality industry faced with non-performing hotel loans that resulted in receivership litigation, contested foreclosures and litigation of "bad boy" guaranty obligations.
- Lead counsel on numerous cases involving mediation and alternative dispute resolution where expensive litigation was avoided and favorable outcomes achieved through ADR.

- Provided restructuring advice and representation in negotiating and documenting default correspondence and restructuring documents involving a portfolio of loans secured by collateral located in Connecticut.
- Advised a large global bank in negotiations to restructure \$15 million in loans made to interrelated dental practices in North Carolina. Obtained a loan restructure agreement with a full payoff.



Professional Honors & Activities

- AV® Preeminent™ Peer Review Rated by Martindale-Hubbell
- Listed in *The Best Lawyers in America*® for Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law (2020 – 2025); Litigation - Bankruptcy (2023 – 2025)
- Listed in *Chambers USA* as a leading Bankruptcy/Restructuring lawyer in the District of Columbia (since 2010)
- Listed in Washington, D.C. *Super Lawyers* in the area of Bankruptcy: Business (2018 – 2024)
- Previously listed in D.C. and Virginia *Super Lawyers* in the area of bankruptcy litigation (2006 – 2007)
- Named a BTI Client Service All-Star for 2024
- Capital Pro Bono Honor Roll (2019 – 2021)
- Master, Walter Chandler American Inn of Court



Publications

- "Baker's Dozen – Tips and Insights on Partnering to Advance Women," *Women's Initiative Newsletter* (October 2021)
- Contributor – "Trigild Deskbook: Guide to Receivership & Foreclosure," (Virginia section) (2009 – 2012)



Speaking Engagements

- Co-presenter – "Remedial Action in Southeastern States: Virginia, Maryland and Washington, D.C.," webinar (November 2014)
- Citibank Global Remedial Forum, Armonk, NY (December 2013)
- "New Developments in Lender Liability and Workouts," Dallas, TX (March 2011)



Education

- University of Cincinnati, J.D., 1987
 - Order of the Barristers
- Hampden – Sydney College, B.A., 1984, summa cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa



Admissions

- District of Columbia, 1989
- Maryland, 1993
- Virginia, 1990
- North Carolina, 1987