

Chambers USA 2022 Ranks White and Williams as a Leading Law Firm

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White and Williams is once again recognized by Chambers USA as a leading law firm in Pennsylvania for achievements and client service in the areas of insurance law and real estate finance law. The firm has also been recognized for achievements and client service in banking and finance law in Philadelphia and the surrounding area. In addition, seven lawyers received individual honors: two for their work in insurance, two for their work in real estate finance, another for his work in real estate, one for her work in bankruptcy and restructuring and one for his work in commercial litigation.

White and Williams is acknowledged for our renowned practice offering expert representation to insurers and reinsurers across an impressive range of areas including coverage, bad faith litigation and excess liability. The firm is recognized for notable strength in transactional and regulatory matters, complemented by the team's adroit handling of complex alternative dispute resolution proceedings. Chambers USA also acknowledged the firm's broad trial capabilities include handling data privacy, professional liability and toxic tort coverage claims. White and Williams' lawyers have further expertise in substantial claims arising from bodily injury and wrongful death suits.

Chambers USA also recognized White and Williams as a respected real estate finance practice that represents clients such as banks, investments funds and life insurance companies in a range of transactions. The firm is recognized for experience in transactions such as acquisition loans, mezzanine and mortgage loans and preferred equity investments. They note that we have additional expertise in advising sellers and purchasers of commercial real estate, as well as landlords and tenants in leases. One source commented that "White and Williams has a very professional and very well-prepared team."

Additionally, we are acknowledged as a respected firm equipped to handle a range of financing matters, and that we are adept at advising on both domestic and international matters. One source noted, "the firm has good depth," with clients including financial institutions, investment companies and private equity firms.

Partner Timothy Davis was named a Leading Lawyer in real estate finance. Tim is experienced in representing clients, including insurance companies, banks and investments funds, in a wide variety of real estate finance transactions. "Tim is a knowledgeable finance lawyer with a lot of experience and market knowledge," one source commented. Another said, "he quickly recognizes issues in a situation and provides guidance to find solutions."

KEY ATTORNEYS

Timothy E. Davis
Nancy Sabol Frantz
Randy J. Maniloff
David H. Marion
Patricia B. Santelle

PRACTICE AREAS

Catastrophic/Excess Liability
Commercial Litigation
Finance
Financial Lines
Financial Restructuring and Bankruptcy
Insurance Coverage and Bad Faith
Insurance Fraud
Professional Liability
Real Estate

INDUSTRIES

Financial & Investment Services
Insurance

Chair of the Real Estate and Finance group, Partner Nancy Sabol Frantz was named a Leading Lawyer in real estate finance. Nancy is recognized for advising clients on high-value mortgage loans. One source commented, "Nancy is very responsive and knowledgeable on complex transactions" while another said, "she is very detail-oriented."

Counsel Randy Maniloff was named a Leading Lawyer in the area of insurance. He is considered an experienced lawyer in a range of insurance matters and regularly provides insurers with the benefit of his knowledge on issues including general and professional liability. One source noted, "he is smart and has a national reputation."

Senior Counsel David Marion is honored as a Senior Statesperson in the area of commercial litigation and is characterized as a noted leader in the field. He has significant experience in handling professional liability, antitrust and securities cases. David has been recognized by Chambers USA since its inception in 2003. Sources noted, "David is a natural advocate who is very good at client relations. He articulates his position in a respectful, forceful way. He writes beautifully and is good at editing, and puts people at ease because they feel confident in his abilities."

Partner Patti Santelle was named as a Leading Lawyer in Insurance law. She is highly regarded for her representation of insurance companies in an array of coverage disputes related to environmental claims and toxic torts, among others. With a source saying, "Patricia is a trusted adviser and expert problem-solver in complex insurance coverage cases." She is described by clients as "a very experienced and practical insurance coverage counsel who is also a pleasure to work with."

Partner Steven Coury was named as a Leading Lawyer in real estate. He provides counsel on a wide spectrum of issues, including acquisitions and financings. Clients "would enthusiastically recommend him." One source noted that "Steve is our go-to counsel."

Partner Amy Vulpio was named again as an Up and Coming Lawyer in the area of bankruptcy and restructuring for her broad experience with debtor representation, bankruptcy appellate work and bankruptcy-related commercial litigation matters. Amy is well placed to handle Chapter 11 proceedings as well as bankruptcy-related litigation, with sources describing Amy as "extremely bright," and commenting that "she is a great lawyer." She acts for both creditors and debtors.

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