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Practices

Bankruptcy & Insolvency
Litigation
Securities
White Collar/Government Investigations

Education

J.D., Duke University School of Law, 1978
B.A., *summa cum laude*, Duke University, Phi Beta Kappa, 1975

Bar Admissions

Pennsylvania, 1978
United States Court of Appeals Third Circuit, 1979
United States District Court Eastern District of Pennsylvania, 1980
United States Supreme Court, 1985
United States Court of Appeals Eleventh Circuit, 1996
United States District Court Western District of Pennsylvania, 1997
United States Court of Appeals Second Circuit, 2005
United States District

Lawrence G. McMichael is one of the region's most experienced and successful commercial trial lawyers. He has practiced commercial litigation for more than 42 years. While Mr. McMichael has extensive trial experience in both federal and state courts, he also has a particular specialty in reorganizing companies in Chapter 11. He has served as lead counsel in many high profile cases and appeals. He has also been engaged to render fiduciary and board advice by many of the city's largest not-for-profit institution's including:

- Children's Hospital of Philadelphia
- The Philadelphia Orchestra
- The Please Touch Museum
- The Archdiocese of Philadelphia
- North Philadelphia Health System
- Carson Valley Children's Aid

Mr. McMichael is one of only a handful of attorneys in the U.S. to be elected as a Fellow of both the American College of Trial Lawyers and the American College of Bankruptcy.

In addition, Mr. McMichael is a frequent lecturer for the Pennsylvania Bar Institute, the American Bar Association, Business Law Section, and other organizations. He also has authored papers for presentation at Pennsylvania Bar Institute programs and at the American Bankruptcy Institute.

Representative Experience

- Representation of the Rigas Family as defendants in over 50 securities cases arising from the collapse of Adelphia Communications.
- Representation of Sanjay Kumar, former Chairman and CEO of Computer Associates in connection with the Computer Associates securities litigation.
- Representation of the *Philadelphia Inquirer* and *Daily News* as lead Debtors' counsel in their

Court Middle District of
Pennsylvania, 2009

bankruptcy proceeding.

- Representation of the Philadelphia Orchestra as lead Debtor’s counsel in its bankruptcy proceeding.
- Representation of John and Timothy Rigas in the defense of a federal criminal tax case, including a successful en banc argument of double jeopardy defenses in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit.
- Representation of the family of Hassan Nemazee in connection with criminal forfeiture proceedings.
- Representation of the controlling shareholders of Erie Indemnity Company in policy holder derivative claims.
- Representation of a senior official of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia in connection with a grand jury proceeding and criminal investigation.

Professional and Community Activities

- Fellow, American College of Trial Lawyers
- Fellow, Member, American College of Bankruptcy
- Member, Union League of Philadelphia
- Member, Supreme Court Historical Society
- Member, Eastern District of Pennsylvania Historical Society
- Member, Philadelphia Bar Association
- Member, American Bankruptcy Institute
- Member, St. Thomas More Society of Philadelphia

Speeches and Presentations

- Speaker, 20th Annual Bankruptcy Institute, Pennsylvania Bankruptcy Institute, Philadelphia, PA, October 29, 2015.
- “Top Commercial Cases of the Year,” American Bankruptcy Institute, Philadelphia, PA, October 30, 2014.
- Non-Profit Insolvency presentation, American College of Trusts and Estates, New Orleans, LA, October 8, 2014.
- Presented “Bankruptcy Appeals: Credit Bidding Under A Plan: RadLax”, American Bar

Association, Business Law Section, Las Vegas, NV, March 2012.

- Presented “What’s Hot In Complex Chapter 11 Bankruptcy Practice: Credit Bidding And Strategies Post-In Re Philadelphia Newspapers, LLC”, Pennsylvania Bar Institute, Philadelphia, PA, March 2012.
- Presented “Operating The Entity At The Intersection of Bankruptcy And Forfeiture: “Distribution And Priority In The Bankruptcy And Forfeiture Context: Advanced Topics”, American Bar Association, Business Law Section, San Francisco, CA, November 2011.
- Presented “Keep It Interesting: Novel Issues Right Here In Philadelphia In The Inquirer Case”, Eastern District of Pennsylvania, Bankruptcy Conference Fall Program, November 9, 2009.

Professional Recognition

- *Chambers USA*, Lead Attorney in Bankruptcy/Restructuring, “Star Individuals” (2019).
- Named Philadelphia *Best Lawyers* “Lawyer of the Year” for Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law (2019).
- Selected to *The Best Lawyers in America*® in the area of Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law (2006 – 2020).
- *Pennsylvania Super Lawyer* (2004 – 2020).

NEWS / EVENTS

Press Releases

- Dilworth Paxson Names Ajay Raju Chief Executive Officer and Co-Chairman
- Dilworth Partners Thomas Biemer and Gregory Cirillo will Lead Litigation Department, Succeeding Lawrence G. McMichael
- Dilworth Attorneys Named 2014 Pennsylvania Super Lawyers and Rising Stars
- Chambers USA 2014 Ranks Dilworth Attorneys Among the Best in Pennsylvania and New Jersey
- Dilworth Partner Elected to the American College of Bond Counsel, Adding to an Exciting Year of Top Honors for Firm Leadership
- Dilworth Attorneys Named 2015 Pennsylvania Super Lawyers And Rising Stars
- Nine Dilworth Lawyers named Best in America
- Dilworth Attorneys Named 2016 Pennsylvania Super Lawyers And Rising Stars

- Five Dilworth Attorneys Ranked In Chambers USA 2016
- Ten Dilworth Attorneys Named to 2017 The Best Lawyers in America[®] List
- Dilworth Attorneys Named 2017 Pennsylvania Super Lawyers and Rising Stars
- Dilworth Attorneys Ranked Again In Chambers USA 2017
- Twelve Dilworth Attorneys Named to 2018 The Best Lawyers in America[®] List
- Twenty-One Dilworth Attorneys Named 2018 Pennsylvania Super Lawyers and Rising Stars
- Dilworth Attorneys Recognized Again for Bankruptcy/Restructuring Work In Chambers USA 2018
- Sixteen Dilworth Paxson Attorneys Named to 2019 The Best Lawyers in America[®] List
- Twelve Dilworth Paxson Attorneys Recognized in 2019 Pennsylvania's Best Lawyers Publication
- Five Dilworth Attorneys Honored for Outstanding Legal Work in Chambers USA 2019
- Nineteen Dilworth Attorneys Named 2019 Pennsylvania Super Lawyers and Rising Stars
- Eighteen Dilworth Paxson Attorneys Named to 2020 The Best Lawyers in America[®] List
- DP Partners Named to Lawdragon 500 Leading U.S. Bankruptcy & Restructuring Lawyers

Media Coverage

- Another Showdown over Del Monte
- Larry McMichael Quoted in Wall Street Journal Article
- Larry McMichael quoted in Dow Jones Daily Bankruptcy Review
- Larry McMichael mentioned in The Wall Street Journal
- Please Touch CEO on Getting Out of Debt and Into Bankruptcy
- McMichael Says Rajaratnam Must Explain His Intent

Articles

- North Philadelphia Health System Enters Bankruptcy
- Limitless Mobile Reaches Deal For Larger, \$5M DIP Loan

- UPDATED: Creditors Question Viability of North Philadelphia Health System
- Ironstone Wins North Philadelphia Health System Bankruptcy Auction
- Limitless Reaches Deal With USDA Over Secured Grant Claims
- Philly Children's Hospital Ch. 11 Sale Plan Approved In Del.

E-Alerts

- Presume Cosby's innocence, and let the jury decide case