



MARK S. RATTNER

Practice Areas

Real Estate Law
Project Finance
Mergers & Acquisitions/Private Equity
Loan Workout
Lending Law
Financial Services
Distressed Assets Group
Corporate Trust Law
Corporate Law

Areas of Emphasis

Secured and Unsecured Commercial Finance Transactions
Asset Based Lending
Commercial Real Estate Lending
Loan Workouts / Restructurings / Foreclosures
Bank Regulatory

Overview

Commercial finance transactions are usually extraordinarily complex affairs, and that is why financial institutions in New Jersey often turn to Mark S. Rattner to handle them. After over twenty years as a partner with



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the firm, he is now Of Counsel and continues to be a leader in the Financial Institutions Group.

New Jersey lenders know that Mark not only provides the kind of attention to detail that their matters require; they also know about his reputation as a lawyer who gives full attention to any transaction he is handling. Mark is known as a lawyer who takes ownership of the deal.

Mark handles all aspects of commercial lending transactions, including working-capital loans, mortgages, construction loans, letters of credit and asset-based transactions. He also has significant expertise, developed during the economic downturn of the early 1990s, in restructuring troubled loans and financings. His clients include such top financial institutions as Wells Fargo, Bank of America, JP Morgan Chase and Merrill Lynch.

Mark has had a hand in some of New Jersey's most important construction projects and business deals. He has been involved in the transactions that have resulted in the New Jersey Performing Arts Center in Newark, the construction of the luxury boxes in Giants Stadium, and the purchase of the New Jersey Devils hockey team.

Before joining the firm, Mark served as Law Secretary to Justice Worrall Mountain of the New Jersey Supreme Court (1976-1977) and thereafter as Deputy Attorney General, representing the New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance and the New Jersey Division of Taxation (1977-1981).

Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business has included Mark in its 2020 and 2021 publications in Band One in the field of Banking and Finance. Chambers notes that Mark "receives praise for his commercial lending practice and for his work representing financial institutions." Sources describe him as "a very good technician and a well-prepared lawyer who is timely and effective." *Best Lawyers in America*®, a peer review of U.S. lawyers, named Mark the Corporate Law "Lawyer of the Year" in 2015, 2018 and again for 2020 and the Banking and Finance Law "Lawyer of the Year" for the Newark region in 2016. "Lawyer of the

Year" honors are given annually to a single attorney in a particular practice area in each region. *Best Lawyers* has included Mark on its *Best Lawyers* list in the fields of Banking and Finance Law and Corporate Law since 2007. Thomson Reuters has included Mark on its "Super Lawyers" list since 2006. See [Awards and Honors Methodology](#).

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Among Mark's cases are:

Titan Sports v. State Ath. Control Bd., Tax Court of New Jersey, 12 N.J. Tax 214, 2/14/92

Bendix Corp. v. Director, Div. of Taxation, Supreme Court of New Jersey, 125 N.J. 20, 7/16/91

Titan Sports v. State Ath. Control Bd., Tax Court of New Jersey, 11 N.J. Tax 259, 8/17/90

Bendix Corp. v. Director, Div. of Taxation, Superior Court of New Jersey, Appellate Division, 237 N.J. Super. 238, 10/19/89

Bendix Corp. v. Taxation Div. Dir., Tax Court of New Jersey, 10 N.J. Tax 46, 6/30/88

Mark Andy v. Taxation Div. Dir., Tax Court of New Jersey, 8 N.J. Tax 593, 1/20/87

Beth Israel Cemetery Asso. v. Woodbridge, Superior Court of New Jersey, Appellate Division, 180 N.J. Super. 508, 5/5/81

Stubbs v. Security Consumer Discount Co., Supreme Court of New Jersey, 85 N.J. 353, 3/19/81

National State Bank v. Long, United States Court of Appeals, Third Circuit, 630 F.2d 981, 9/17/80

Greenwood Cemetery Asso v. Millville, Tax Court of New Jersey, 1 N.J. Tax 408, 7/30/80

Beth Isr. Cemetery Asso v. Woodbridge, Tax Court of New Jersey, 1 N.J. Tax 149, 6/26/80

Wash. Cemetery Asso v. S. Brunswick, Tax Court of New Jersey, 1 N.J. Tax 157, 6/26/80

Application of Orange Sav. Bank, Superior Court of New Jersey, Appellate Division, 172 N.J. Super 275, 2/6/80

Railroad Roofing & Bldg. Supply Co. v. Financial Fire & Casualty Co., Superior Court of New Jersey Appellate Division, 171 N.J. Super. 375, 12/17/79

Tri-County Sav. & Loan Asso. v. Commissioner of Banking, Superior Court of New Jersey, Appellate Division, 171 N.J. Super 576 , 10/17/79

Ramada Inns, Inc. v. Rosemount Memorial Park Assoe., United States Court of Appeals, Third Circuit, 598 F.2d 1303, 5/16/79

In re Estate of Rauch, Superior Court of New Jersey Appellate Division, 167 N.J. Super. 497 , 4/20/79

Infocomp Corp. v. Somerset Trust Co., Superior Court of New Jersey Appellate Division, 165 N.J. Super. 382, 1/30/79

Education

Syracuse University College of Law, J.D., *magna cum laude*, 1976

Northeastern University, B.A., with honors, 1972

Bar Admissions

New Jersey

U.S. District Court, District of New Jersey

New York

Third Circuit Court of Appeals

U.S. Supreme Court

Professional Activities

Former Board member, New Jersey Bar Association, Banking Law Section

Former adjunct professor, Rutgers School of Law, where he taught a course in secured transactions

Frequent author in legal periodicals

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