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Paul practices in the firm's Commercial Litigation Group and focuses on bankruptcy, creditors' and lenders' rights, financial services litigation, banking and commercial finance litigation, contract and property litigation and receiverships. He is AV-rated by Martindale-Hubbe® and is consistently recognized by Mid-South Super Lawyers®.

PRACTICE AREAS AND INDUSTRY TEAMS

- Bankruptcy and Restructuring
- Financial Services Litigation
- Commercial Finance
- Tort, Transportation & Specialized Litigation
- Catastrophic Events and Major Claims

EXPERIENCE

- Represents Lenders, Investors and Financiers in commercial and general litigation matters in State and Federal Courts.
- Represents secured creditors, unsecured creditors and Trustees in Bankruptcy cases and Adversary Proceedings.
- *Matrix Capital USA, LLC and Matrix Land I, LLC, 15-0145*; implemented Receivership for 169 developed and occupied real properties.
- *In re: CDP Corporation, Inc., 09-50745-NPO*, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Mississippi; Served as counsel for the Ch.7 Trustee in large asset case; litigated avoidance and preference claims and other adversary proceedings to recoup property of the estate for the benefit of the Debtor and its Creditors.
- *In re: Coastal Land Development, Inc., 09-51267-ERG*, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Mississippi; Served as counsel for the largest secured creditor, a Colorado venture capital group, in the Ch. 11 bankruptcy action and companion State Court cases.
- *In re: Premier Entertainment Biloxi, LLC, d/b/a Biloxi Hard Rock Casino and Resort, 06-50975-ER*, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Mississippi; Served as local counsel for Ch. 11 debtor's controlling shareholder of Debtor; Debtor obtained turnover of >\$180MM in insurance proceeds from bondholders to rebuild casino destroyed by Hurricane Katrina and confirmed Ch. 11 plan upheld by the 5th Cir.

- *In re: Studio Inn Mississippi, LLC, 04-54314-ERG*, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Mississippi; Served as counsel for national bank in Ch.11 bankruptcy action and companion State Court cases.

BAR ADMISSIONS

- New Jersey, 1998
- Mississippi, 2004
- U.S. District Courts
 - Mississippi: Northern, Southern
 - New Jersey: District of New Jersey
- U.S. Courts of Appeals
 - 3rd Circuit
 - 5th Circuit

DISTINCTIONS

- *Martindale-Hubbell*[®]
 - AV[®]- Preeminent[™] Peer Review Rated, 2012-2017
- *Super Lawyers*[®]
 - Mid-South Super Lawyers, Bankruptcy: Business, 2011-2019

ASSOCIATIONS

- American Bar Association
 - Business Bankruptcy Section
 - Bankruptcy Legislation Subcommittee
 - Bankruptcy and Insolvency Litigation Committee
- Mississippi Bar Association
 - Bankruptcy and Creditor's Rights Section
- New Jersey Bar Association
- American Bankruptcy Institute
 - Bankruptcy Litigation Committee
- Mississippi Bankruptcy Conference

EDUCATION & HONORS

- Western Michigan University, J.D., *cum laude*, 1997
 - Editor-in-Chief, *Law Review*
- Jacksonville University, B.S., Biology and Chemistry, 1987
- Clerkship, Honorable Williams P. Gilroy, New Jersey Superior Court, Appellate Division

PAPERS, PRESENTATIONS & PUBLICATIONS

- Author, “Judicial Estoppel and Res Judicata Insufficient to Prevent Post-Chapter 11 Cure and Reinstatement of Partnership Interest” ABI Bankruptcy Litigation Newsletter, September 2017.
- Author, “The Impact of Bankruptcy on Collections” written for and presented at CLE, July 2017.
- Author, “The Impact of Bankruptcy on Collections,” written for and presented at CLE, June 2016.
- Author, “8th Annual Bankruptcy Issues for Landlords and Tenants,” written for and presented at CLE, June 2015.
- Author, “ABA Business Bankruptcy Newsletter, Bankruptcy Legislative Updates,” Contributing Author, Summer 2014.
- Author, “How to Prosper in the New Market – Bankruptcy Law for Landlords and Tenants,” written for and presented at CLE, June 2014.
- Author, “Bank on Students Emergency Loan Refinancing Act,” ABA Business Law Section, Bankruptcy Legislative Update, May 2014.
- Contributing Author, ABA Business Law Section, Bankruptcy Legislative Update, April 2014.
- Author, “Protecting Gun Owners in Bankruptcy Act 2014,” ABA Business Law Section, Bankruptcy Legislative Update, March 2014.
- Author, “U.S. Trustee Fee Guidelines,” ABA Business Law Section, Bankruptcy Legislative Update, March 2014.
- Author, “Bankruptcy Issues for Landlords and Tenants,” written for and presented at CLE, November 2013.
- Author, “Fifth Circuit Applies Absolute Priority Rule in Individual Chapter 11 Cases,” *American Bankruptcy Institute Journal*, August 2013.
- Author, “The Impact of Bankruptcy on Debt Collection,” written for and presented at CLE, April 2013.
- Contributing Author, ABA Business Law Section, Bankruptcy Legislative Update, April 2013.
- Author, “Furthering Asbestos Claim Transparency (FACT) Act,” ABA Business Law Section, Bankruptcy Legislative Update, March 2013.
- Contributing Author, ABA Business Law Section, Bankruptcy Legislative Update, October 2012.

- Co-Author, “Collateral Attacks on Sale Orders, Due Diligence and the Barton Doctrine,” ABA Bankruptcy Litigation Newsletter, Fall 2012.
- Author, “Essentials of Bankruptcy Litigation,” CLE presentation, July 2012.
- Author, “Small Business Reorganization Efficiency and Clarity Act,” ABA Business Law Section, Bankruptcy Legislative Update, June 2012.
- Author, “5th Circuit Rules Inherited IRAs Are Exempt Under the Bankruptcy Code,” American Bankruptcy Institute Journal, June 2012.
- Author, “Bankruptcy Issues for Landlords and Tenants,” written for CLE, October 2011.
- Author, “The Automatic Stay and Adequate Protection under the Bankruptcy Code,” CLE presentation, October 2011.