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Scott's sensitive approach with his clients – and their deadlines – maximizes their recovery potential.

As chair of the Bankruptcy Practice Group, Scott is responsible for creating and delivering innovative solutions for his clients. He works with vice presidents, managers, and supervisors of default servicing departments, along with their staff who handle the day-to-day servicing of borrowers who file for bankruptcy.

Scott's clients, mid and large-size national lenders – servicing loans for some of the most well-known commercial and retail entities, are often juggling high volumes of accounts, and dealing with a regulatory environment that leaves little room for error. Practicing solely in bankruptcy for nearly 20 years, Scott is acutely aware of deadlines and filing requirements - and the significant impact they can have on recoveries for his clients. He has overseen hundreds of chapter 11 bankruptcy cases - ranging from negotiation of cash collateral orders and adequate protection agreements, to assumption and rejections of leases. Moreover, his experience in the prosecution of plan objections, analysis of Plans and Disclosure Statements, negotiation of cure amounts, and litigation of relief from stay motions and preference defense actions enables him to best defend his clients' rights.

Scott is originally from Queens, New York, but he moved around several times during his childhood due to his father's occupation, he too was an attorney, for a large global corporation. He lived in Connecticut, Rochester, New York, and Dallas, Texas before graduating high school. He was an avid soccer and basketball player, whose "claim to fame" was winning the USA Today National Championship in soccer during his senior year after completing a 24-0 season. Today, Scott calls Hudson, Ohio home with his wife, Robin, and his two children, Arden and Jason. He enjoys watching movies, playing tennis and soccer with his kids, listening to music (he's a Pearl Jam fanatic), and traveling to the ocean and beach.

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## Focus Areas

- ▶ Bankruptcy Recovery
  - ▶ Bankruptcy Fraud/Intentional Acts Discharge Defense
  - ▶ Bankruptcy Risk Assessments
  - ▶ Chapters 11 & 12 Bankruptcy
  - ▶ Real & Personal Property Bankruptcy Matters
  - ▶ Student Loan Discharge Defense

## Honors & Distinctions

- ▶ Martindale-Hubbell AV® Preeminent™ Peer Review Rated Attorney
- ▶ Ohio Rising Stars List, 2010

## Admissions

- ▶ Colorado, 2017
- ▶ Ohio, 1998
- ▶ U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of New Mexico, 2024
- ▶ U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit, 2008
- ▶ U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Ohio, 1998
- ▶ U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Ohio, 2000

## Education

- ▶ J.D., Case Western Reserve University School of Law, 1997
- ▶ B.A., Political Science, Miami University, 1993

## Affiliations

- ▶ American Bankruptcy Institute: Member
- ▶ Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association: Member
- ▶ National Association of Chapter 13 Trustees: Member
- ▶ Ohio State Bar Association: Member

## Presentations

- ▶ "The Current State of Bankruptcy Filings and What's to Come: A Look Ahead to 2022," Weltman Webinar, November 18, 2021
- ▶ "Dealing with Debt and Bankruptcy," Advance Ohio, May 25, 2021
- ▶ "How to Accelerate Auto Loan Recovery Success - Part II," Weltman Webinar, May 12, 2021
- ▶ "Ask a Pro: Navigating Chapters 7 & 13 Bankruptcies - Part II," Weltman Webinar, February 25, 2021

## Publications

- ▶ "Inflation Rates and the Corresponding Impact on Bankruptcy Filings"  
Weltman Insights; February 7, 2022
- ▶ "The Ebb and Flow of Bankruptcy Trends: What Tides Will Come in 2022?"  
Weltman Insights; December 10, 2021
- ▶ "Dealing with Debt and Bankruptcy: Top Five Things Every Consumer Should Know"  
Weltman Insights; June 21, 2021
- ▶ "Bankruptcy Basics: Chapters 11 & 12 Filings"  
Weltman Insights; June 16, 2021
- ▶ "Your Top Chapter 7 and 13 Bankruptcy Questions, Answered"  
Weltman Insights; March 26, 2021