

RICHARD F. LEVY, Retired Partner

Richard F. Levy is a retired litigator and senior corporate advisor. Before his retirement, he served as a director of three New York Stock Exchange companies. His extensive corporate practice focused on corporate reorganization, debt restructuring, bankruptcy litigation, bank regulation, and corporate transactions and governance. He was involved as lead counsel in scores of major insolvency matters, in and out of court, and he argued and tried numerous cases as principal lawyer in state and federal courts throughout the country. He also successfully argued a major anti-trust case in the US Supreme Court.

Mr. Levy is AV Peer Review Rated, Martindale-Hubbell's highest peer recognition for ethical standards and legal ability. He is a member of the Complex Commercial Litigation and Bankruptcy Litigation Practices. He also serves the firm as a member of its Pro Bono Committee.

Mr. Levy's legal career has been featured in prominent publications such as *The Wall Street Journal*, *The New York Times* and *The National Law Journal*. He has been a lecturer on bankruptcy issues for the Practice Law Institute, ALI-ABA and the Illinois State and Chicago Bar Association.

Mr. Levy's recent clients include a number of money center and regional banks and Real Estate Investment Trusts. He is a director of several companies, including two bank holding companies, and has been a director of a \$3 billion international copier distribution company, a major healthcare company and a large REIT whose shares were traded on the New York Stock Exchange. He has recently been successful on behalf of an equity committee in major litigation in the Delaware Bankruptcy Court, defeating the plans of large institutional note holders to wipe out the interests of shareholders.

He began his insolvency practice in 1973, when he represented a debtor in the largest individual Chapter 11 proceeding filed to that date, involving the ultimately successful reorganization of some \$500 million in debt. Since then, he has been involved as lead counsel in hundreds of major insolvency matters, in and out of court, including the reorganization of Senior Corp., a \$1 billion REIT, Continental Bank, Hawkeye Bancorporation, a 36-bank, \$2 billion Iowa bank holding company, Danka Business Systems plc., Ventas and Vencor and numerous others.

In 1961, Mr. Levy argued *Radiant Burners v. Peoples Gas, Light & Coke Company*, 364 U.S. 656, before the United States Supreme Court. He has argued and tried numerous cases as principal attorney in the United States Courts of Appeals for the Second, Fifth, Seventh, and Eighth US Circuit Courts of Appeal. Mr. Levy has argued significant legal issues in state and federal trial courts as well as in bankruptcy courts in Baltimore, Boston, Chicago, Denver, Grand Rapids, Houston, Las Vegas, Los Angeles, Miami, Minneapolis, New Orleans, New Jersey, New York, Phoenix, San Bernardino, San Diego and San Francisco.



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PRACTICE GROUPS

Bankruptcy Litigation
Complex Commercial Litigation
Litigation

EDUCATION

Columbia University School of Law, LLB,
1954

Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania,
BS in Economics, 1951

ADMISSIONS

California (inactive), 1956

Illinois, 1957

New York, 1954

Awards

- Jenner & Block
Albert E. Jenner, Jr. Pro Bono Award - 2011

Community

- Amalgamated Investments Company
Member, Board of Directors, 1996-Present
- Danka Business Systems plc (NASDAQ; LSE)
Member, Board of Directors, 2000-Present
- Matria Healthcare, Inc.
Member, Board of Directors, 2000-Present

Other

- Ambassador Apartments, Inc. (NYSE)
Member, Board of Directors

Speaking Engagements

- "Class Action Litigation 2012," Practising Law Institute, New York, NY, July 11, 2012