

# Frank Heller

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#### **Education**

- Boston College Law School, JD
- Canisius College, Magna Cum Laude, BA

#### **Practices & Industries**

- Commercial Litigation
- Real Estate
- Restructuring, Bankruptcy & Creditors' Rights

#### **Admitted to Practice**

New York

# **Biography**

With over 40 years of commercial law experience, Frank primarily concentrates his practice on assisting institutional, business, and individual clients in commercial collections, loan workouts, mortgage foreclosures, UCC Article 9 transactions, landlord and tenant disputes, real property litigation, and the representation of secured and unsecured creditors in bankruptcy cases.

In his practice, Frank capitalizes on his prior experience serving as an Erie County assistant district attorney and a City of Buffalo assistant corporation counsel.

### **Bar Associations**

- Bar Association of Erie County
- New York State Bar Association

## **Prior Experience**

- Erie County, Assistant District Attorney
- City of Buffalo, Assistant Corporate Counsel

# **Selected Community Activities**

• Roswell Park Cancer Institute, Assists Volunteers

### **Selected Honors**

- The Best Lawyers in America®: Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law, 2009– 2024; Commercial Litigation, 2010–2024
- Selected to Super Lawyers Upstate New York: Business Litigation, 2013–2023
- Martindale-Hubbell AV Preeminent Peer Review Rated for Very High to Preeminent Ethical Standards and Legal Ability

## **Selected Speaking Engagements**

- Erie Institute of Law, "Referee's Powers and Duties in a Foreclosure Sale"
- New York State Bar Association, "Mortgage Foreclosures and Workouts"
- New York State Bar Association, "Dealing with Residential Foreclosures: Defenses, Remedies, and Other Approaches to Resolution"
- "Bankruptcy Proceedings as They Affect Mortgage Foreclosures"
- "Defenses to Acceleration and Lender Liability Concerns"

#### **Selected Media**

 Community Association of WNY's Community Association Connection, "Lienon Me"

## **Selected Alerts & Blog Posts**

- An Overview of New York State's Mortgage Foreclosure Process
- Attacks on Taxing Authorities' in Rem Tax Lien Foreclosures and the Right to Retain Surplus Monies in "Strict Foreclosures"
- Supreme Court Strikes Down Taxing Authorities' Right to Retain Surplus Monies in "Strict Foreclosures"
- New Law Could Negatively Impact the Ability of Hospitals and Health Care Professionals to Be Fully Paid for Their Services to Patients
- CPLR Article 52 Is Exclusive Vehicle to Challenge Use of Enforcement Procedures