

Jessica L. Kopas, Partner

Attorney Profile



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PRACTICE AREAS

Bank Fraud Litigation
Commercial Litigation
Complex Business Litigation
Trust & Probate Litigation

EDUCATION

Nova Southeastern University,
Shepard Broad Law Center, Juris
Doctor, 2002
State University of New York
College at Geneseo, Bachelor of
Science, 1999

BAR ADMISSIONS

Florida Bar, 2003
United States District Court for
the Southern District of Florida,
2004
United States District Court for
the Middle District of Florida,
2004
United States Bankruptcy Court
for the Southern District of
Florida, 2004

BIOGRAPHY

Jessica Kopas is a partner in the firm's Fort Lauderdale office. Ms. Kopas focuses her practice on commercial litigation, bankruptcy and creditors' rights.

Over the course of her practice, Ms. Kopas has advocated the interests of her clients - including Fortune 500 companies - in a wide variety of disputes in and out of court. She has appeared before state, federal district and federal bankruptcy courts in Florida. She also has participated in mediations and other forms of alternative dispute resolution, including accomplishing complex settlement agreements as alternatives to trial.

Prior to joining the firm, Ms. Kopas worked for several commercial litigation firms in South Florida, where she litigated large, complex commercial cases as well as adversarial bankruptcy proceedings.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT/AFFILIATIONS

- Bankruptcy Bar Association for the Southern District of Florida, Member, 2004 to present
- Broward County Bar Association, Member, 2003 to present
- Defense Research Institute (DRI), Member commercial litigation committee and women in the law committee, 2014-present

SIGNIFICANT MATTERS/CASES

- Assisted in the representation of a diverse group of plaintiffs seeking recovery of over \$225 million in investor losses resulting from a billion-dollar structured settlement Ponzi scheme. This nationally publicized case focused on Toronto Dominion Bank's (TD Bank) role in facilitating this criminal enterprise asserting novel claims that the Bank willfully aided and abetted the Ponzi fraud. After months of litigation, the matter was resolved through settlement resulting in our clients receiving the highest percentage recovery for victims entangled in a Ponzi scheme.
- Assisted with the representation of the wife and children of a well-known missing entrepreneur and philanthropist in a dispute with other family members. This Broward County Probate Court case involved legal issues of the highest complexity involving the absentee's estate, including property rights related to the absentee's extensive personal property and real estate holdings across the globe.

AWARDS/RECOGNITIONS

Nova Southeastern University Shepard Broad Law Center, Moot Court Honor Society, 2000 to 2001