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John C. La Liberte is chair of the firm's Bankruptcy and Creditor Rights Group.

John is also co-chair of the Business Litigation, Construction Law and Real Estate Litigation practice groups. John serves as the firm's General Counsel. He concentrates his practice in business litigation, bankruptcy related litigation, complex commercial disputes, including intellectual property and trade secret related litigation, product liability litigation, and commercial landlord/tenant disputes.

John's expertise includes real estate litigation, employment discrimination/wrongful termination matters, insurance coverage disputes, product liability matters, and premises liability cases in both federal and state courts. He has also handled consumer class action matters in both federal and state courts. In addition, he has successfully arbitrated and mediated numerous cases.

PRACTICE AREAS

Alternative Dispute Resolution

Business Litigation

Litigation

Professional Fiduciary, Estate, & Probate Litigation

Real Estate Litigation

INDUSTRIES

Construction & Design

Finance

Manufacturing, Distribution & Logistics

Real Estate

Retail & Shopping Centers

Technology

EDUCATION

Suffolk University Law School, J.D., cum laude, 1989

Boston College, B.A., 1986

BAR ADMISSIONS

Massachusetts

New Hampshire

U.S. First Circuit Court of

EXPERIENCE

- Broad spectrum of clients in bankruptcy related matters, including corporate reorganizations, automatic stay relief proceedings, preference and dischargeability proceedings, commercial leasehold renegotiations, and assumption or rejection proceedings
- Banks, brokerage firms, insurance companies, credit unions, state transportation authorities, professional and business partnerships, computer software companies and automobile and medical device manufacturers in a wide variety of areas

ACCOLADES

- Included in Massachusetts *Super Lawyers*
- Listed in *The Best Lawyers in America*®
- Listed in *2019 Benchmark Litigation*

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- "How Strong Is Your Client's—and the Other Side's Armor?" speaker, MCLE 19th Annual Business Litigation Conference, February 2020
- "Watch Your Step: Protecting Your Company in Relationships with Partners in Bankruptcy," *Corporate Counsel*, February 2012
- "Tenant Bankruptcies, Defaults, Terminations and Evictions: A Property Manager's Nightmare," speaker, Building Owners and Managers Association (BOMA), May 2009
- "Current Issues in Bankruptcy and Leasing," roundtable speaker and leader, International Council of Shopping Centers, October 2005
- "Benefit and Begging: Statute Prohibiting Peaceful Pleas for Charity in Public Places Violates First

Appeals
U.S. Supreme Court
U.S. District Court for the
Districts of Massachusetts
and New Hampshire

Amendment – Benefit v. City of Cambridge,” *Boston Bar Journal*, Vol. 42, No. 1, January/February
1998

MEMBERSHIPS

- American Bankruptcy Institute
- Boston Bar Association
- New Hampshire Bar Association
 - Business Litigation Section
 - Corporate Banking and Business Law Section

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Town of Carlisle Planning Board
 - Vice-chairman