

## Justin G. Weber

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Justin is a trial attorney who helps clients resolve complex business disputes. Drawing from experience litigating a variety of high stakes claims, he also counsels clients on comprehensive risk mitigation strategies.

### OVERVIEW

Justin is a first-chair litigator who handles disputes for clients across diverse industries, including financial services, real estate, and oil and gas. With a successful track record before juries, the bench, arbitrators, and administrative agencies, Justin also counsels clients on proactive dispute resolution and mitigation, including through conducting internal investigations and alternate dispute resolution. He advises clients on mass arbitration risk, arbitration terms, responding to mass arbitration demands, and navigating the administration of mass arbitration claims.

Justin's substantial appellate experience includes handling appeals in several federal circuits and successfully arguing numerous appeals before Pennsylvania's appellate courts. He also regularly litigates preliminary injunctions as well as matters arising in the Pennsylvania Commonwealth Court's original jurisdiction.

Before joining the firm in 2005, Justin focused his practice in state and local tax litigation with a multinational law firm.

### REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

#### Financial Services Litigation

- Obtaining dismissal of RICO and unfair trade practices claims against a loan servicer.
- Defending lenders in putative class actions filed across the U.S. challenging loan ownership, including claims related to unfair trade practices.
- Defending a financial services company against claims brought as part of a mass arbitration.
- Counseling financial services companies regarding mass arbitration risk mitigation and litigation strategies.
- Obtaining dismissal of a putative class action regarding the garnishment of accounts.
- Defending financial institutions regarding claims of breach of fiduciary duty regarding investment services.
- Obtaining a multimillion-dollar verdict involving complex forensic accounting issues related to the distribution of local earned income tax revenue.

- Defending putative class action matters involving claims regarding “true lender” claims, the Pennsylvania Loan Interest and Protection Law, Consumer Discount Company Act, and unfair trade practices.

## **Real Estate Litigation**

- Obtaining summary judgment limiting recovery to nominal damages for the alleged breach of a right of first offer.
- Representing commercial landlords regarding real estate lease disputes.
- Obtaining summary judgment for a commercial real estate developer on lease termination issues involving force majeure and COVID-19 defenses.
- Representing clients in real estate litigation including the enforcement of contractual rights of first refusal.
- Obtaining payment from a local government entity of millions of dollars of unpaid tax increment financing.

## **Oil and Gas Litigation**

- Obtaining a jury verdict regarding a dispute about the production of natural gas in “paying quantities” and the validity of oil and gas leases.
- Obtaining summary judgment, including affirmance by the Pennsylvania Superior Court, regarding the ownership of oil and gas rights.
- Securing a verdict following a bench trial regarding ownership issues regarding thousands of acres of oil and gas rights.
- Successfully obtaining the dismissal of fraud and breach of contract claims in the administration of joint operating agreements for Marcellus Shale wells.

## **Business Litigation**

- Obtaining a temporary restraining order enjoining the former president of a company from working for a competitor.
- Securing a directed verdict during trial for a manufacturer in a case involving allegations of manufacturing defects in equipment used in eye surgery.
- Successfully defending a county in a preliminary injunction matter challenging the validity of local government legislation regarding the salaries of county officials.

## **AWARDS**

- *Best Lawyers in America®*: Commercial Litigation (2021-2026)
- Thomson Reuters Stand-out Lawyer (2023-2025) – independently rated lawyers

## **TOP AREAS OF FOCUS**

- [Business Litigation](#)
- [Financial Services Litigation](#)
- [Oil + Gas](#)
- [Real Estate Litigation](#)

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- [Business Litigation](#)

- Energy
- Environmental + Natural Resources
- Financial Services Litigation
- Litigation + Trial
- Oil + Gas
- Real Estate Litigation

## PROFESSIONAL/COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Member, Middle District Chapter of the Federal Bar Association
- Board member, Harristown Enterprises, Inc.
- Member, Hon. William W. Lipsitt Inn of Court

## EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATIONS

### EDUCATION

- Penn State Dickinson Law, J.D., *magna cum laude*, 2002
- Goshen College, B.A., 1999, business administration

### BAR ADMISSIONS

- Pennsylvania

### COURT ADMISSIONS

- U.S. District Court, Middle District of Pennsylvania
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Pennsylvania
- U.S. District Court, Western District of Pennsylvania
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Second Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Third Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Fourth Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit

## PUBLICATIONS

- Co-author, "What Does the New Administration's First Antitrust Merger Settlement Tell Us?," *Troutman Pepper Locke*, June 2, 2025.

## MEDIA COMMENTARY

- Quoted, "Troutman Pepper Locke: Raising the Bar for Client and Community Service in Pennsylvania and Beyond," *MyFrontPageStory.com*, May 2, 2025.