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Jeffrey A. Liesemer is a member in Caplin & Drysdale's Washington, D.C. office.

## Services

Mr. Liesemer's practice focuses on complex civil and commercial litigation, with an emphasis in bankruptcy and creditors' rights cases.

## Highlights

Mr. Liesemer has represented clients at the trial and appellate levels of both state and federal courts. Since joining Caplin & Drysdale in 2005, he has continued to focus on complex chapter 11 cases, with a large percentage of his time devoted to representing asbestos creditors' committees in mass-tort bankruptcies. He has been involved in a number of notable bankruptcy cases throughout the country, including W.R. Grace, U.S. Gypsum, Owens Corning, Pittsburgh Corning, Armstrong World Industries, G-I Holdings (formerly GAF Corporation), Criimi Mae, Heilig Meyers, Just for Feet, Chemtura Corporation, and US Airways.

Prior to joining Caplin & Drysdale, Mr. Liesemer's practice focused on complex chapter 11 bankruptcy reorganizations and insolvency workouts, in which he represented corporate and partnership debtors as well as large, institutional creditors and lenders. He has also been involved in representing creditors' committees, third-party asset purchasers, and shopping-center landlords in large bankruptcy reorganizations and liquidations. Mr. Liesemer has defended a number of clients in so-called "claw-back" proceedings to recover alleged preferential transfers and fraudulent conveyances.

Prior to entering private law practice, Mr. Liesemer clerked for the Honorable Martin V. B. Bostetter, Jr., then Chief Judge of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Virginia.

## Professional Activities

A former managing editor of the University of Pittsburgh Law Review, Mr. Liesemer has written and lectured on numerous topics relating to civil litigation and bankruptcy law, including the effect of state sovereign immunity law in bankruptcy cases. Mr. Liesemer is a former chair of the Young Lawyers Division of the Federal Bar Association of Northern Virginia, and served as commissioner of the Arlington County Fiscal Affairs Advisory Commission.

## Awards & Honors

- Ranked in the 2012-2013 editions of The Best Lawyers in America
- Ranked as a leading lawyer in the 2011-2012 editions of Benchmark

### Practice Areas

Complex Litigation

Creditors' Rights

### Education

J.D., University of Pittsburgh School of Law, 1993, *magna cum laude; Order of the Coif; Managing Editor, University of Pittsburgh Law Review*

B.A., Bucknell University, 1988, *summa cum laude*

### Bar and Court Admissions

Virginia

District of Columbia

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit

U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia

U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia

U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Columbia

U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Virginia

District of Columbia Court of Appeals

### Other Professional Affiliations

American Bankruptcy Institute

Alexandria Bar Association

Walter Chandler American Inn of Court

Litigation