

# Guy C. Fustine

Guy C. Fustine's practice is focused on business reorganization, commercial litigation, collection, and sports law. He is board certified in business bankruptcy law by the American Board of Certification and is Practice Group Leader for Bankruptcy & Creditors' Rights at Knox Law. He is a mediator in the Mediation Program for the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania and a neutral evaluator in the Alternative Dispute Resolution Program of the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania. He represents business debtors, secured and unsecured creditors, trustees, and receivers in federal and state court cases. Mr. Fustine has experience as a contract advisor for the National Football League Players Association and is a licensed athlete agent in Pennsylvania, representing current as well as retired professional athletes.



## EDUCATION

- Duquesne University School of Law, J.D.  
*cum laude*
- Notre Dame Law School, London, England
- Allegheny College, B.A.  
*cum laude; Alden Scholar*

## RECENT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Reorganization under Chapter 11 of American Hollow Boring Company, a 100-year-old business in Erie, PA
- Chapter 7 Trustee for Oz Gas Ltd., Great Plains Exploration, LLC and John D. Oil and Gas Co.
- Lead counsel for the purchaser of Peek'n Peak Resort in Clymer, NY
- Lead counsel for the seller of Lovell Place Limited Partnership in Erie, PA
- Court appointed overseer and lead counsel for the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors for Thayer Power & Communication Line Construction Co. in Fairview, PA
- Reorganization under Chapter 11 of a Federally Qualified Health Center in Erie, PA
- Sale of another FQHC as a going concern in Fayette County, PA
- Negotiation and sale of commercial real estate to the Buffalo Niagara Medical Campus in Buffalo, NY
- Reorganization of a southside restaurant and lounge in Pittsburgh, representing former Pittsburgh Steeler Hines Ward
- Reorganization of numerous manufacturing companies located in NY, OH and PA, avoiding shut-downs and liquidations

## HONORS & RATINGS

- AV Preeminent® Peer Review Rated by Martindale Hubbell
- Included in *The Best Lawyers in America*®, (Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency; Reorganization Law and Litigation - Bankruptcy), 1993-2021
- Included in Pennsylvania Super Lawyers®, 2007-2014; 2017-2020

## SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Webinar: Looking Beyond COVID-19: Advantages and Disadvantages of Chapter 11 and the Workout Alternative, May 2020
- Allegheny County Bar Association Bankruptcy & Commercial Law Section's Bankruptcy Symposium: co-presenter, 2019
- Knox Law Workplace Law Forum, 2017
- Knox Law Annual Professional Advisor Symposium, 2013-2017
- Pennsylvania Bar Institute (PBI) Annual Bankruptcy Institute: state-wide course planner; co-presenter on "Top Commercial Cases of the Year" and "Energy Sector Issues for the Commercial Practitioner," 2016
- PBI Program Course Planner/Co-Presenter, "Future Relevance of Chapter 11," 2015

## PRACTICE CONCENTRATIONS

- Bankruptcy & Creditors' Rights
- Business Reorganization
- Sports & Entertainment Law

## FIRM INVOLVEMENT

- Shareholder
- Bankruptcy & Creditors' Rights Group, Chair

## ADMISSIONS & CERTIFICATIONS

- Pennsylvania
- U.S. District Court, Western District of Pennsylvania
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Third Circuit
- ADR Mediator & Neutral Evaluator, U.S. District Court, Western District of PA
- Certified Contract Advisor, National Football League Players Association (2012-2018)
- Licensed Athlete Agent
- Certified in Business Bankruptcy Law, American Board of Certification



## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Erie County Bar Assn, *Bankruptcy Section*
- Pennsylvania Bar Assn, *Entertainment and Sports Law Committee*
- American Bar Association
- American Bankruptcy Institute
- Western Pennsylvania American Bankruptcy Inn of Court, *Master*
- Sports Lawyers Association, *Member*