

Steven L. Thomas

Steven Thomas is a member of the firm's commercial law practice area. Mr. Thomas engages in commercial litigation including bankruptcy and "business divorces." Mr. Thomas routinely counsels both creditors and debtors in Chapter 11 proceedings and restructuring.

Mr. Thomas graduated from the University of Virginia in 1980 with a BSC (Commerce) and became a Certified Public Accountant in West Virginia in 1981. In 1984, he received his Doctor of Jurisprudence from the West Virginia University College of Law.

Prior to joining Kay Casto & Chaney, Mr. Thomas served as clerk to the Honorable Ronald G. Pearson, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of West Virginia (1985-87). He is admitted to practice in all West Virginia courts, the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit and the United States Supreme Court.

Mr. Thomas has written articles and made presentations at bankruptcy seminars related to commercial law matters, including ethical issues, procedural due process rights and student loans in bankruptcy. He is recognized in *The Best Lawyers in America* for his work in the area of bankruptcy and creditor/debtor rights, as well as litigation. In published testimonials, clients report that they found Mr. Thomas's professionalism and counsel to be extremely useful, citing his "ability to handle any matter regardless of size or complexity in the field," and for "effective and competent representation in an unusual set of circumstances that called for imagination and diligence in addressing the legal issues involved."



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