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Peter R. Kolker



Partner at Zuckerman Spaeder LLP

Peter R. Kolker handles cases in which economic principles intersect with litigation presentations. He represents officers and directors of troubled financial institutions faced with both criminal and civil proceedings, advocates for partners and other business associates who find themselves in controversy with their former colleagues, and guides clients through disputes in which asset valuations are the key to resolution. Building on the firm's substantial bankruptcy expertise, Mr. Kolker has represented debtors, creditors, and Chapter 11 trustees in adversary proceedings in the bankruptcy court and in appellate review of those determinations in district courts. Real estate litigation, including financing issues, land use disputes, and appraisal matters, also comprise part of his practice. In personal legal matters, he has assisted individuals in disputes involving substantial assets and contested estate matters that entail challenges to estate-planning documents and trusts.

Another facet of Mr. Kolker's practice is the assessment of auditing services provided to public and private companies. In that context, Mr. Kolker has substantial experience applying Generally Accepted Accounting Principles and Generally Accepted Auditing Standards to evaluate the adequacy of auditing services.

Mr. Kolker has appeared in federal and state courts, including bankruptcy courts, in each of the jurisdictions in which he is admitted, both in jury and non-jury trials and in appellate matters. He has also represented clients in alternative dispute resolution proceedings, mediations, and arbitrations, including international arbitration and in international evidentiary proceedings under the Hague Convention.

Mr. Kolker also has extensive experience in the criminal law area, having represented senior executives of publicly held and private corporations in federal criminal trials and in connection with securities, banking, and other financial investigations. The international dimension of this practice has included representation of executives in federal antitrust investigations





involving multi-national corporations as well as representation of businessmen and women involved in transactions generating inquiries under the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act. Mr. Kolker's commercial experience includes a wide variety of business transactions and he has facilitated the representation of executives with criminal law issues in both the domestic and international arenas. He has steered a number of executives through the shoals of federal investigations without prosecution.

Mr. Kolker joined Zuckerman Spaeder after serving in the office of the Deputy Attorney General at the U.S. Department of Justice in Washington and gaining substantial criminal trial and appellate experience, principally in the federal courts in Washington, DC.

Experience

- Represented individuals subject to regulatory investigation by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission resulting in a penalty-free resolution of the investigation.
- Representing a Creditor Trust created during a bankruptcy in litigation against a major auditing firm concerning the adequacy of its audits.
- Represented a large nonprofit owner in a litigation and related arbitration over the construction of a large conference center.

EDUCATION

- University of Chicago Law School, J.D., 1966
- Cornell University, B.A., 1963

COURT ADMISSIONS

- U.S. Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, 4th Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, 11th Circuit
- U.S. District Court, District of Columbia
- U.S. District Court, District of Maryland
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Illinois
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of Florida
- U.S. District Court, Middle District of Florida
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Florida

BAR ADMISSIONS

- District of Columbia
- Maryland
- Florida
- Illinois

