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## **Practice Areas**

Banking, Bankruptcy & Creditors' Rights Law

Business Law

Commercial Litigation

Real Estate Litigation & Title Insurance Law

### Education

- Salmon Chase College of Law, J.D., 2001
- Baptist Bible College, BTh, 1994

### Admissions

Ohio, 2002

U.S. District Court, Northern District of Ohio, 2002

U.S. District Court, Southern District of Ohio, 2002

U.S. Court of Appeals, Sixth Circuit, 2003

Kentucky, 2005

U.S. District Court, Western District of Kentucky, 2005

U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Kentucky, 2005

U.S. District Court, Northern District of Indiana, 2005

U.S. District Court, Southern

Gregory A. Stout is a senior attorney in the firm's Real Estate Litigation & Title Insurance Practice Group. He focuses his practice in the areas of general litigation, title insurance litigation and banking and finance law.

Licensed to practice in the state and federal courts in Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, Kentucky and West Virginia, Mr. Stout's clients include insured property owners and lenders under title insurance policies and title insurance companies involved in escrow defalcations and coverage matters and those requiring issuance of closing protection letters. He represents corporate clients in commercial litigation, including commercial loan workouts, easement and pipeline litigation, receiverships, defense of consumer litigation, disputes as to mortgage repurchase agreements, as well as clients involved in contract and residential real estate disputes.

In addition to his title insurance work, Mr. Stout has extensive experience representing lending institutions and mortgage servicers across five states in creditor-based bankruptcies and foreclosure litigation. He has represented debtors and bankruptcy trustees in consumer bankruptcy matters and creditors in both consumer and complex commercial matters.

Mr. Stout's litigation experience also includes representing clients in commercial and construction disputes and Consumer Practice Act violations throughout Ohio, Kentucky and West Virginia.



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District of Indiana, 2005

West Virginia, 2006

U.S. District Court, Northern District of West Virginia, 2006

U.S. District Court, Southern District of West Virginia, 2006

Indiana, 2010

Michigan, 2017

U.S. Court of Appeals, Fourth Circuit, 2017

U.S. Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit, 2017

U.S. Supreme Court, 2018

# **Representative Client Work**

- Successfully defended stay violation and preference litigation against a mortgage lender to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit
- Defended mortgage servicers and auto-lenders in dozens of stay violation and contempt matters in bankruptcy courts throughout Ohio, Kentucky, Indiana and West Virginia
- Successfully litigated on appeal interest rate challenges on automobile loans to the Bankruptcy Appellate Panel
- Represent both mortgage servicers and bankruptcy trustees in preference litigation in bankruptcy matters in Ohio, Kentucky, Indiana and West Virginia
- Regularly represents lenders in litigation involving lien priority disputes, mortgage/lien validity, enforceability of options to purchase/rights of first refusal and mortgage fraud
- Regularly consults and represents title insurance companies on coverage and liability issues relative to escrow/closing agent duties
- Regularly represents commercial lenders in foreclosure/loan workout and litigation involving receiverships
- Regularly handles appellate litigation and bankruptcy matters in both federal and state courts throughout Ohio, Kentucky, Indiana and West Virginia
- Regularly defends banks, financial institutions and mortgage servicers in multiple cases involving foreclosure counterclaims, claims based upon FDCPA, RESPA and consumer states before state and federal courts in Ohio, Kentucky, Indiana, and West Virginia

# **Professional Affiliations**

- Indiana State Bar Association
- Kentucky Bar Association
- Ohio State Bar Association
- State Bar of Michigan
- State Bar of West Virginia