



David W. Houston, IV

Partner

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“My practice is founded on my ability to find practical solutions for complex problems and genuine drive to be a trustworthy guide for my clients.”

David practices with the firm’s Creditors’ Rights & Bankruptcy group. His experience focuses on commercial bankruptcy matters, including the representation of secured and unsecured creditors, committees, defendants in preference actions, corporate debtors, and parties involved in out-of-court restructurings and state and federal receiverships. David has also represented trustees and numerous other constituencies in all aspects of Chapter 11 bankruptcy cases. Since 2010, he has been recognized in The Best Lawyers in America for his work in the Bankruptcy and Creditor-Debtor Rights area.

David comes from a long line of attorneys. Carving his own career path, David has established his ability to connect with his clients, other lawyers, and judges as he solves even the most complex problems for his clients. Beginning with the end in mind, he relies on his service-oriented approach to counseling his clients, ensuring that every decision gets them another step closer to their goals as they move their case. Whether he is handling a bankruptcy case or working through the buying and selling of a company, David leverages his deep connections to assemble the most valuable team for his clients.

When he’s not working, David enjoys spending time with his wife and two boys and following Ole Miss sports.

David earned his J.D. from the University of Mississippi School of Law and his B.P.A in Criminal Justice Administration from the University of Mississippi.

PARALEGAL/ASSISTANT

Legal Practice Assistant

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CAPABILITIES

Bankruptcy Litigation
Commercial Litigation
Creditors' Rights and Bankruptcy
Workouts, Restructurings, & Enforcement

EDUCATION

J.D., University of Mississippi School of Law
B.P.A., University of Mississippi

LICENSED IN

Mississippi
Tennessee

ADMITTED IN

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit
U.S. District Court - Middle District of Tennessee
U.S. District Court - Eastern District

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Honors & Recognition

- Listed in *The Best Lawyers in America*®, "Lawyer of the Year," Litigation - Bankruptcy, Nashville, TN (2022)
- Named, *Lawdragon* 500 Leading U.S. Bankruptcy and Restructuring Lawyers (2022-2023)
- Listed in *The Best Lawyers in America*®, "Lawyer of the Year," Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law, Nashville, TN (2020)
- Listed in *The Best Lawyers in America*®, Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law since 2010, Litigation-Bankruptcy since 2011
- Named, *Chambers USA*, Bankruptcy/Restructuring (2014-2023)
- *Mid-South Super Lawyers*, Bankruptcy: Business since 2016, Top 50 Nashville and Top 100 Tennessee in Bankruptcy: Business (2022)
- Martindale-Hubbell AV Preeminent® Peer Review Rating

News

- 58 Burr Attorneys Named to 2023 Mid-South Super Lawyers and Rising Stars List
Firm News, 11.28.2023
- David Houston Honored with 2023 TMA Turnaround/Transaction of the Year Award
Firm News, 08.25.2023
- Best Lawyers® 2024 Honors 242 Burr Attorneys, Including 17 "Lawyers of the Year"
Firm News, 08.17.2023
- Seven Burr Attorneys Named to Lawdragon's 2023 List of Leading Bankruptcy & Restructuring Lawyers
Firm News, 06.29.2023
- 61 Burr & Forman Attorneys Ranked in 2023 Chambers USA
Firm News, 06.01.2023

Speaking Engagements

- David W. Houston participates in panel entitled, "Hazard Ahead: The Thorny Interaction Between Environmental Law and Bankruptcy Law" at the Midwestern Bankruptcy Institute Conference

of Tennessee

U.S. District Court - Western District of Tennessee

U.S. District Court - Northern District of Mississippi

U.S. District Court - Southern District of Mississippi

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Speaking Engagement, 10.06.2022

- Speaking: Turnaround Management Association
Speaking Engagement, 06.01.2018

Articles

- Toxins-Are-Us: Bankruptcy Treatment of Environmental Liabilities
Articles / Publications, 07.02.2021
- *ABI Journal*: The Gross and the Fair of Toxic Tort Claims in Bankruptcy
Articles / Publications, 09.12.2019
- *ABI Journal*: A Plug for Priority Claims in Oil and Gas Cases
Articles / Publications, 06.08.2016
- *Norton Bankruptcy Law Adviser Newsletter*: "In RE ICL Holding Co.: Roadmap For Avoiding The Absolute Priority Rule"
Articles / Publications, 11.06.2015

Civic Activities

- Baseball coach for Wookie League teams in the West Nashville Sports League
- Member of St. Matthews Catholic Church

Professional Activities

- American Bar Association
- Tennessee Bar Association
- Nashville Bar Association
- Mississippi Bar Association