



Joseph Went

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Joe Went is a trial and appellate lawyer whose practice focuses on commercial litigation and bankruptcy.

He represents individuals and corporate clients, both large and small, in complex litigation matters in state, federal, and bankruptcy courts involving distressed assets, foreclosure disputes, secured transactions, and probate and trust litigation.

Results-Driven: Joe understands that the matters he is entrusted to handle are important to his clients. He works diligently and with a level head, providing reliability and constant communication to his clients throughout the dispute resolution process. His thorough attention to detail leads to intelligent decisions and positive outcomes in contested matters.

PRACTICES

Bankruptcy and Restructuring
Finance

INDUSTRIES

Financial Institutions

EDUCATION

University of Minnesota School of Law,
J.D., 2004

cum laude

Dean's list

Royal Stone Academic Merit Scholarship

Brigham Young University, B.A., 2001

4-year Conoco Academic Merit
Scholarship

BAR ADMISSIONS

Nevada

EXPERIENCE

Commercial Litigation

- Jury trials
- Bench trials
- Arbitrations
- Mediations
- Administrative proceedings
- Probate court
- Business tort actions
- Secured transactions
- Uniform Commercial Code enforcement
- Landlord-Tenant evictions
- Judgment enforcement and collection
- Fair Credit Reporting Act claims
- Appeals

Real Estate

- Disputed claims
- Contract disputes
- Mechanic's lien claims
- Foreclosures

- Escrow litigation

Bankruptcy and Creditors' Rights Litigation

- Collateral valuation evidentiary hearings
- Contested disclosure statement approval hearings
- Plan confirmation battles
- Automatic stay relief
- Negotiation of plan treatment
- Adversary proceedings
- Substantive consolidation proceedings

CLIENT RESULTS

Obtained a multi-million dollar judgment in favor of a regional lender against borrowers involving allegations of lender misconduct.

Successfully enforced secured lender's rights in LLC membership interests.

Defeated plan confirmation proposing adverse treatment for lender's claim.

Navigated complicated lien rights in airplanes and airplane hangars on behalf of secured lenders.

Satisfied a multi-million dollar judgment through contested collection actions.

Obtained judgment against debtors in non-dischargeability actions.

Counsel to lenders for claims alleging Fair Credit Reporting Act violations.

RECOGNITION

- *The Best Lawyers in America*®, Commercial Litigation, 2021-2024
- Mountain States Super Lawyers® Rising Star, 2009
- Mountain States Super Lawyers®, Business Litigation, 2023
- *Nevada Business Magazine*, Nevada Legal Elite, 2015-2016, 2019-2021

PROFESSIONAL AND CIVIC AFFILIATIONS

- State Bar of Nevada, Member
- Clark County Bar Association, Member
- American Bankruptcy Institute, Member
- Fee Dispute Arbitration Committee, State Bar of Nevada, Member
- Litigation Section, State Bar of Nevada, Member
- Children's Attorney Project, Las Vegas, NV, Volunteer Attorney
- Legal Aid Center of Southern Nevada, February 2009–present

- Eagle Scout