# Mark G. Claypool

Mr. Claypool is a full-time member and Vice Chair of the Knox Law firm's Bankruptcy and Creditors' Rights Group. His practice is concentrated in creditors' rights, bankruptcy and commercial litigation, and he is Board Certified in bankruptcy law by the American Board of Certification. Mr. Claypool has lectured extensively on the subject of bankruptcy and creditors' rights to attorneys, businessmen and creditor groups.

## **EDUCATION**

- Duke University School of Law, J.D. With Honors
- The Pennsylvania State University, B.S.
  With Distinction
  Gold Key National Honor Society
  Penn State Scholar's Program, Member

#### RECENT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Represented plaintiff in the court-ordered appointment of a receiver and a successful \$19M foreclosure action relating to the Granada Apartment complex, consisting of 38 buildings and approximately 626 housing units. This was one of the largest foreclosure actions in northwestern Pennsylvania
- Regularly assists banks, credit unions and other financial institutions in loan workouts, collection actions, foreclosures, replevins, ejectments, and all Bankruptcy matters
- Successfully counseled numerous Chapter 11 cases to confirmation
- Successfully represented individuals and sole proprietorships in complex Chapter 7, Chapter 12 and Chapter 13 proceedings

#### HONORS & RATINGS

- Included in Pennsylvania Super Lawyers®, 2011-2016, 2018-2019
- Martindale-Hubbell Distinguished<sup>SM</sup>
- Appointed Member of the Standing Local Rules Committee for the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania

#### SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Firm's Professional Advisor Symposium, October 2015 and 2016
- Adjunct Professor at Gannon University, teaching courses in Bankruptcy Law
- Healthcare Ventures Alliance Long-Term Care Seminar
- Allegheny County Bar Association Bankruptcy Symposium
- Erie County Bar Association Seminar



#### PRACTICE CONCENTRATIONS

■ Bankruptcy & Creditors' Rights

#### FIRM INVOLVEMENT

Shareholder

### **ADMISSIONS & CERTIFICATIONS**

- Pennsylvania
- Certified in Bankruptcy Law, American Board of Certification
- U.S. District Court, Western District of Pennsylvania
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit

#### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

- Erie County, Pennsylvania and American Bar Associations
- Bankruptcy Inn of Court, Western District of Pennsylvania, Standing Local Rules Committee, Appointed Member
- American Bankruptcy Institute
- Erie County Bar Bankruptcy Committee, Past Vice Chair



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