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Ms. Hoffman's practice regularly involves [commercial litigation and dispute resolution](#). She represents national lenders in matters involving complex consumer and commercial bankruptcies.

She has also represented numerous bankruptcy trustees, creditor's committees, and commercial clients in large liquidation cases dealing with preferences, fraudulent conveyances, and insider transfer recoveries. She negotiates bankruptcy treatment for unsecured trade creditors as "critical vendors" and requires payment for clients' goods delivered just prior to a bankruptcy filing. She serves as national counsel for an international auto-finance lender, coordinating all aspects of bankruptcy fraudulent conveyance litigation defense. She also assists in-house counsel in drafting RFPs, SLAs, and SOW for clients utilizing outside bankruptcy vendors.

Ms. Hoffman provides counseling on consumer finance regulatory compliance to national lenders. She regularly addresses comprehensive federal and state regulatory compliance issues related to consumer leasing, consumer finance, automotive financing, collections, legal risk management, credit reporting, and governmental examinations. Her practice focuses on drafting personal property financing and leasing agreements and related program documents. She assists clients in developing consumer lending policies, procedures, guidelines, and conducts in-house training tailored to those policies and best practices.

Ms. Hoffman is an active volunteer in the capital district community and is currently serving as a Member of the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors for Ronald McDonald House Charities of the Capital Region.

EDUCATION

- Albany Law School, J.D., 1997
- Le Moyne College, B.A., 1993

CAPABILITIES

Litigation
Financial Restructuring &
Insolvency
Automotive & Truck Finance

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- New York State Bar Association
- Albany County Bar Association
- Capital Region Bankruptcy Bar Association
- Capital District Women's Bar Association
- Hudson Valley Bankruptcy Bar Association

HONORS & AWARDS

- *Upstate New York Super Lawyers*®, 2017, 2020
- Capital District Women's Bar Association, Pro Bono Award, 2009

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Ronald McDonald House Charities, Capital Region, Executive Committee Board of Directors
- Legal Aid Society
- The Legal Project
- Credit Abuse Resistance Education (CARE), Volunteer

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- "Digital Age and Default Rates, Mitigating Risks in an Era not Seen Since 2012," Speaker, Upstate New York Creditors Association, December 11, 2024
- "Bankruptcy - Why You Want to Talk to Us: Practical Tools for Non-bankruptcy Attorneys," Co-Presenter, Lippes Mathias CLE, June 2023
- Albany Law School, Business Law Society, Speaker, April 25, 2023
- "The Top Ten Things Every Creditor Must Do Now," NYSSPCA, July 2020

ADMITTED TO PRACTICE

- New York
- U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Eastern District of New York
- U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Northern District of New York
- U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Southern District of New York
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of New York
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of New York
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York
- U.S. District Court, Western District of New York
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit