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PRACTICE AREAS

Litigation & Dispute Resolution

Banking & Lender Liability Litigation

Business Litigation

Real Estate Litigation

EDUCATION

J.D., Boston University School of Law, 1977

B.A., Amherst College, 1973

ADMISSIONS

Massachusetts

Supreme Court of the United States

U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit

U.S. District Court, District of Massachusetts

AFFILIATIONS

Massachusetts Bar Association

Boston Bar Association

OVERVIEW

Richard E. Gentili concentrated his practice in the area of civil litigation. His experience ranged from representation of creditors, secured lenders and equipment lessors in a variety of commercial matters, to more general business tort and contract disputes for the firm's corporate clients.

Richard regularly handled lender liability defense cases for our banking clients relating to both commercial and consumer loans.

Richard was an experienced trial and appellate lawyer, who prided himself in his courtroom abilities, as well as in his care in advising clients as to the costs and benefits of pursuing any particular course in litigation. Richard regularly tried both jury and non-jury cases in the Massachusetts Superior and U. S. District Courts, and occasionally cases in other states.

Richard resides in the town of Canton, Massachusetts with his wife.

EXPERIENCE

- Richard has also successfully represented clients in a number of appellate cases including the First Circuit Court of Appeals decision in *FAMM Steel v. Sovereign Bank*, 571 F. 3d 93 (1st Cir. 2009). Other significant decisions in which Richard was successful include *Motsis v. Ming's Supermarket, Inc.*, 96 Mass. App. Ct. 371, 134 N.E.3d 610 (2019) *Sovereign Bank v. Sturgis*, 863 F. Supp. 2d 75 (D. Mass. 2012), *Shawmut Bank, N.A. v. Miller*, 415 Mass. 482 (1993) and *Arlington Trust Co. v. Caimi*, 414 Mass. 839 (1993).

Publications

- Richard has co-authored and/or contributed to most of the Why Do We Care series of articles appearing on the Hackett Feinberg website.

Presentations

- Richard is a regular presenter at Hackett Feinberg's Defensive Banking 101 seminars/training sessions.

HONORS

- Richard has been named a Massachusetts and/or New England "Super Lawyer" every year between 2004 and 2022. He has a Martindale-Hubbell "AV" rating and a 5.0 out of 5.0 Martindale peer review rating. Avvo rating: 10 out of 10.