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Services and Industries

- Bankruptcy and Financial Restructuring
- Business Litigation and Strategic Solutions

Education

New York Law School, J.D., *magna cum laude*

Hamilton College, B.A.

Saint Lawrence University Kenya Semester Program, Nairobi, Kenya

Admissions

New Jersey

Pennsylvania

New York

U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey

U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania

U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania

U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York

U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York

G. William Bartholomew is a senior counsel member of the Saxton & Stump [Business Litigation and Strategic Solutions](#) and [Bankruptcy and Financial Restructuring](#) groups in the firm's Lancaster office. He represents secured and unsecured creditors, trustees, businesses, and individuals in a wide range of complex commercial disputes and insolvency matters. Will has extensive experience guiding clients through all stages of litigation — from strategy development and motion practice to trial — and has served as lead counsel in both state and federal court.

Before joining Saxton & Stump, Will practiced at two litigation-focused law firms in New York City, where he represented financial institutions, closely held businesses, start-ups, and individuals in commercial litigation, government investigations, and high-stakes trust and estates matters. His track record includes prevailing in a bench trial concerning trust assets, defending against breach of fiduciary duty claims, and successfully pursuing breach of contract claims. Prior to entering private practice, Will clerked for a Federal District Judge in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

Will earned his law degree, *magna cum laude*, from New York Law School, where he served as editor-in-chief of the *New York Law School Law Review* and received several academic and writing honors. He holds a bachelor's degree in world politics from Hamilton College and studied abroad in Nairobi, Kenya.

Representative Experience

- Lead trial counsel to a trustee in a nearly decade-long case in New Jersey Chancery Court seeking to recover misappropriated life insurance proceeds for the trust and defending against breach of fiduciary duty claims. After a seven-day bench trial, won a judgment awarding a monetary recovery to the trust and dismissing all claims against the trustee.
- Lead counsel to venture capital-backed health supplement company in lawsuit filed against it alleging violations of New York State and New York City human rights laws. After filing a motion to dismiss, the plaintiff voluntarily discontinued the case.
- Represented a start-up software development company in lawsuit against multinational global oil and gas conglomerate in Texas state court alleging breach of a multi-year contract to license the client's proprietary software to manage "turnarounds" at oil refineries.
- Represented plaintiff pursuing ERISA claims against life insurance employee benefit plan sponsor and administrator. Persuaded the district court judge to reject, in part, a magistrate judge's report and recommendation granting defendant's motion to dismiss, thereby preserving crucial claims.
- Represented 50-year-old tax preparation business in federal grand jury investigation.
- Represented major financial institution in its capacity as a trustee in various lawsuits alleging fiduciary duty breaches.
- Member of team that represented heavyweight boxing champion to obtain a jury verdict in New York federal court finding that his challenger had used a banned substance before a scheduled title bout.
- Represented individual in multi-year litigation in New Jersey federal court over control of family trust that owns shipping and real estate companies.
- Represented start-up business in successful appeal overturning a summary judgment decision dismissing client's claim against manufacturer for breach of a contract to provide "child-resistant" caps for its products.

Recognitions

- *New York Law School Law Review*, editor-in-chief
- *New York Law School Global Human Rights Bulletin*, executive editor
- New York Law School, Otto L. Walter Distinguished Writing Award New York Law School, Roger J. Miner '56 Award for Outstanding Editorial Contribution to the *Law Review*
- New York Law School, Prof. Lung-chu Chen Award for Excellence in the Field of Human Rights
- John Marshall Harlan Scholar

Publications

- "A Due Process Balancing Act: The United States' Influence on the UN al-Qaeda Sanctions Regime," 59 N.Y.L. Sch. L. Rev. 737 (2014-2015)

Community Involvement

- Unemployment Action Center at New York Law School, claimant's advocate