

## **James J. Tancredi**

United States Bankruptcy Judge  
District of Connecticut- Hartford Division



James Tancredi was appointed to the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Connecticut by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, and took the oath of office on September 1, 2016. Prior to his appointment he was a partner at the law firm of Day Pitney, LLP (f/ka Day, Berry & Howard) where, as a business litigator and commercial restructuring lawyer, he co-founded the firm's regional and national bankruptcy practice. During his 37 years in private practice, he represented financial institutions and other major constituents in a broad range of prominent insolvency related proceedings pending in courts on the Amtrak corridor.

Judge Tancredi has a Bachelor of Arts degree in Urban Studies and Political Science from the College of the Holy Cross in Worcester, Massachusetts, and received his law degree from the University of Connecticut School of Law. Each degree was awarded magna cum laude.

During his career, Judge Tancredi frequently lectured at the University of Connecticut School of Law and at bar association Continuing Legal Education programs on a broad range of commercial, real estate and restructuring issues and strategies. His professional and bar association activities included service as president and director of the Hartford County Bar Association and the Connecticut Turnaround Management Association. He has been an active member of the Connecticut Bar Association, American Bar Association, American Trial Lawyers Association, and was a director of the Hartford County Bar Foundation and Connecticut Mental Health Association. He is also a Connecticut Bar Foundation James W. Cooper fellow. These platforms provided invaluable opportunities for enhanced legal education and service to the bench and bar and served to drive local community pro bono initiatives.

While in practice, he wrote widely about business restructuring issues and co-authored the Connecticut chapter in "Strategic Alternatives for and Against Distressed Businesses, 2016 Edition", published by *Thomson Reuters West*.