

# Jason A. Little

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Jason A. Little is a business litigator and corporate counselor advising businesses, including institutional automotive and equipment finance companies, and entrepreneurs on structuring, expanding, formatting, selling, and dissolving business entities and partnerships. Jason also guides businesses in regulatory compliance, internal and external best practices, and compliance audits. Known for providing smart, practical, and business conscious advice, Jason is often the lawyer of choice for delving into complex and novel issues of law.

Leading the firm's Cannabis practice, Jason immerses himself in this burgeoning industry across the state. With the complex integration of regulatory and licensing infrastructure in New York, Jason is very involved in navigating this complex process. In addition to helping clients obtain agricultural, processing, distribution and retail (including CAURD) licenses, Jason helps negotiate and structure Cannabis business ownership; licensing and other agreements; real estate leases and purchases for Cannabis companies; and, litigation as it relates to the challenges these businesses face.

In addition, Jason handles all aspects of commercial, business, and bankruptcy litigation for his clients from inception to trial. Clients rely on his broad experience in negotiating commercial agreements, including asset purchase and buy-sell agreements, stock purchase agreements, licensing agreements, forbearance, and other negotiated restructuring and workout agreements, non-compete and nondisclosure agreements, and complex settlement agreements in commercial litigation and bankruptcy matters. Additionally, Jason handles creditor matters in Chapter 11 and Chapter 7 bankruptcy cases, including issues concerning claims and objections, assumption and assignment of leases and executory contracts, and

## PRACTICE AREAS

Bankruptcy & Restructuring

Cannabis

Commercial Litigation

## EDUCATION

University of Buffalo Law School, J.D.

Clarion University of Pennsylvania, B.A.

## AFFILIATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

New York State Bar Association, Member

Albany County Bar Association, Member

Leadership Tech Valley Steering Committee, Member

From Cannabis to Cuisine (CUNY and American Culinary Federation Partnership), Board Member

Shenendehowa Wrestling Club, Treasurer

## ADMISSIONS

**Bar Admissions**

New York

Pennsylvania

**Court Admissions**

United States District Court, Northern District of New York

United States District Court, Southern District of New York

United States District Court, Eastern District of New York

United States District Court, Eastern District of Pennsylvania

United States District Court, Middle District of Pennsylvania

fraudulent conveyance issues.

Prior to joining Farrell Fritz, Jason was a partner of a New York based national law firm where he handled financial reorganizations, restructuring, and commercial litigation matters.

## Experience

- Advised Central Apothecary LLC from formation to licensure, achieving a CAURD license from the Office of Cannabis Management to open what will be one of Saratoga County's first adult-use retail store.
- Successfully resolved contentious litigation for telecommunications client during pendency of an injunction motion and hearing resulting in a favorable buy/sell for the client.
- Advised Homestead Farms to achieve one of the first wave of agricultural licenses issued by the Office of Cannabis Management, with client being recognized by the media as having New York's first sprout.
- Advised institutional equipment finance company whose dealer defaulted under credit facilities term, resulting in successfully negotiated seizure and liquidation of assets.
- Draft and revise dealer and consumer credit facilities for automotive finance client, including counseling client on regulatory compliance issues.
- Successfully defended private equity company by dismissing all claims asserted against it in adversary proceeding brought by a debtor in possession in Chapter 11 bankruptcy case, including winning appeals filed and spin-off litigation.
- Negotiated successful workout of commercial credit facilities default on the creditor side for an institutional finance client.
- Assisted in large UCC audit for automotive finance client.
- Successful litigation of multi-million-dollar adversary non-discharge action against former dealer and dealer principal on behalf of automotive finance client.

## Community Work

- Legal Aid Society of Northeastern New York, pro bono legal services
- The Legal Project, pro bono legal services
- United States District Courts, pro bono legal services

- Journeyman Wrestling Club, youth sports coach
- Junior Plainsmen Football, youth sports coach
- Clifton Park Baseball League, youth sports coach

## Recognition

- City & State, 2023 Responsible 100
- Super Lawyers Rising Star