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JOHN W. KETTERING is an Associate at Pietragallo Gordon Alfano Bosick & Raspanti, LLP. He is a member of the Business/Corporate Practice Group, Bankruptcy, and the Commercial Litigation Practice Group.

In his business practice, Mr. Kettering has extensive experience with a variety of matters including the formation and dissolution of businesses, complex business transactions, shareholder litigation, and general corporate matters. He has represented and provided counsel to a variety of businesses which include: publicly traded corporations, financial institutions, closely held corporations, partnerships, non-profit organizations, and sole proprietors.

In bankruptcy matters, Mr. Kettering has successfully represented both creditors and debtors in an array of bankruptcy proceedings. This includes favorable representation of creditors in both protecting their interests in property as well as recovering money owed to them. He has successfully litigated issues in bankruptcy related to the allowance of claims and administrative expenses on behalf of a Chapter 11 reorganized debtor.

In the field of commercial litigation, Mr. Kettering has successfully represented clients at trial and arbitration in many areas of commercial law. This includes jury trials, to verdict, on matters involving non-compete covenants, defenses of technology corporations on the basis of statutory immunity, and multiple, successful arbitration proceedings relating to disputed construction projects. He also has experience with real estate leases, licenses, easements, and zoning and has, successfully, appeared before zoning hearing boards on behalf of his clients.

Mr. Kettering is a member of the Mercer County Bar Association, Judith K. Fitzgerald Bankruptcy Inns of Court, Pennsylvania Bar Association, and American Bar Association.

Prior to joining Pietragallo, Mr. Kettering served as a judicial intern for Judge Carlotta M. Böhm in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania.

Mr. Kettering earned his J.D. from the University of Pittsburgh Law School, cum laude. While there, he served as the production editor of the University of Pittsburgh Tax Review. He also published *Dr. Strangetax: Or, Why Pennsylvania Should Stop Worrying and Just End the Film Tax Credit*, 11 PITT. TAX REV. 69 (2012). During his tenure there, he was awarded with the Gibson Award, the W. Edward Sell Award, the American Bankruptcy Institute Medal of Excellence, and Cali Awards for Bankruptcy, Business Organizations, and Securities Arbitration. He received his B.A. in Economics and History, cum laude, from the University of Pittsburgh as a member of the Dean's Honor List.

Publications

“A Guide to Mergers of Nonprofit Entities,” *The Pennsylvania Lawyer*, January/February 2020

Bar Admissions

Pennsylvania

U.S. District Court – Western District of Pennsylvania