



## ERIN M. EDELMAN

### PARTNER

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A litigator in Armstrong Teasdale's Financial and Real Estate Services practice group, Erin Edelman leads the firm's Restructuring, Insolvency and Bankruptcy practice and counsels clients in bankruptcy, commercial and real estate litigation matters.

In the business insolvency area, Erin represents the interests of debtors, secured lenders and unsecured creditors seeking to maximize their return through bankruptcy or out-of-court restructuring. Erin handles a variety of complex transactions and litigation related to corporate restructuring, including defending and prosecuting preference and related litigation, negotiating and documenting capital and debt structures, and loan workouts and asset acquisitions and divestitures. She is also involved in real estate matters representing utility companies and handling a variety of real estate litigation, including condemnation proceedings and large-scale tax appeals. In the finance industry, Erin represents lenders in pursuit of remedies for promissory note and guaranty breaches.

In addition, Erin has experience in a wide variety of civil litigation matters.

### SERVICES AND INDUSTRIES

Restructuring, Insolvency and  
Bankruptcy  
Financial Services and Banking  
Litigation  
Real Estate

### ADMISSIONS

Illinois  
Missouri  
U.S. District Court, Eastern  
District of Missouri  
U.S. District Court, Southern  
District of Illinois

### EDUCATION

- Saint Louis University School of Law (J.D., *magna cum laude*, 2014)
  - Saint Louis University Public Law Review (Staff Member and Symposium Editor)
  - Legal Research and Writing Teaching Assistant
  - Order of the Woolsack
  - Dean's List
  - Academic Excellence Awards
- University of Missouri (B.J., *magna cum laude*, 2011)
  - Strategic Communication
  - Dean's List
- University of Missouri (B.A., *magna cum laude*, 2011)
  - Political Science

### PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- The Missouri Bar
- Urban Harvest STL, Young Friends Board

## ACCOLADES

- *The Best Lawyers in America*<sup>®</sup>, Ones to Watch, Banking and Finance Law (2021-present)
- [\*Missouri/Kansas Super Lawyers\*<sup>®</sup>](#), Rising Star (2018-present)

## BACKGROUND

Before joining the firm, Erin was in private practice at another St. Louis firm where she focused on general civil litigation. While in law school, Erin served as a judicial extern for Judge Angela T. Quigless with the Missouri Court of Appeals for the Eastern District.

## EXPERIENCE

### **Acquisition of Transmission Line Easements for Energy Client**

Assisted client in securing transmission line easements by negotiation and condemnation.

### **Co-counsel to Coal Company in Chapter 11 Bankruptcy**

Served as co-counsel to the debtor, a coal company, in its Chapter 11 bankruptcy proceedings.

### **Co-counsel to Retailer in Chapter 11, Post-bankruptcy Proceedings**

Serving as co-counsel to a specialty footwear retailer and its related debtor affiliates in Chapter 11 restructuring and post-bankruptcy proceedings. Client is the largest specialty family footwear retailer in the Western Hemisphere with nearly 4,400 stores across more than 30 countries.

### **Counsel to the Unsecured Creditors Committee for a Consumer Refrigeration Company**

Served as counsel to the unsecured creditors committee for a consumer refrigeration company in its Chapter 11 bankruptcy proceedings.

### **Obtained Reversal of Circuit Court Judgment Affirming Tax Assessments for Natural Gas Pipelines**

Obtained a reversal in the Missouri Court of Appeals of a Missouri State Tax Commission ruling, upheld on appeal to the circuit court, that disallowed depreciation in the calculation of real and personal property tax assessments for a statewide system of natural gas pipelines. Because the pipelines crossed 16 counties in the state, each of the underlying county assessments had to be appealed separately, necessitating appeals in each district of the Court of Appeals.

### **Prosecution and Defense of Fraudulent Conveyance Actions for Multiple Clients**

Prosecuted and defended fraudulent conveyance actions arising from alleged ponzi schemes, leveraged buyouts and alleged non-statutory insider transactions.

### **Representation of Secured Lenders in Agricultural Company Bankruptcy Proceedings**

Represented the secured lenders in Chapter 12 and agricultural Chapter 11 bankruptcy cases.

### **\$5.1 Million Summary Judgment for Lender**

Argued and obtained summary judgment in the amount of \$5.1 million for lender in a breach of guaranty lawsuit.

**Co-counsel in Bioenergy Companies' Chapter 11 Bankruptcy**

Served as co-counsel to global bioenergy companies in Chapter 11 bankruptcy proceedings.