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Bar Admissions

- Maryland, 1980
- Virginia
- District of Columbia
- U.S. Court of Appeals 4th Circuit
- U.S. District Court for the District of Maryland
- U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Maryland
- U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia
- U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Columbia
- U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Virginia

Education

- University of Baltimore School of Law, 1980 - J.D.
- University of Maryland, 1976 - B.A.

Previous Experience

- Linowes and Blocher LLP, Partner, 1990 – 2009
- Gordon, Feinblatt, Rothman, Hoffberger & Hollander, Partner, 1988 – 1990
- Gordon, Feinblatt, Rothman, Hoffberger & Hollander, Associate, 1983 – 1987

Jim Vidmar has always concentrated on business reorganization cases and debtor/creditor issues. He has significant experience working with businesses in financial distress. He has participated in many business insolvency cases in Maryland, Virginia and the District of Columbia, including work on behalf of Chapter 11 debtors, trustees in bankruptcy, banks, landlords and creditors' committees. Mr. Vidmar has represented purchasers of loans and parties in bankruptcy sales. He often represents homebuilders and developers. He has defended many claims against commercial guarantors.

Mr. Vidmar is a past president of the Bankruptcy Bar Association for Maryland and is a member of the American Bankruptcy Institute. In 1992, Mr. Vidmar became the first lawyer in Maryland to become board certified in business bankruptcy law by the American Bankruptcy Board of Certification. He has been selected by his peers to be included in the 2007 through 2015 Maryland Super Lawyers and the Washington, D.C. Super Lawyers editions in the category of bankruptcy and creditor/debtor rights. He was named a top lawyer in business reorganization by Washingtonian Magazine. He is included in the 2010 to present editions of The Best Lawyers in America.

Mr. Vidmar has also served as a mediator in cases pending before the federal bankruptcy court and the Circuit Court for Montgomery County. He has completed the forty-hour mediation training course sponsored by the Maryland Institute for Continuing Professional Education of Lawyers.

Honors and Awards

- Maryland Super Lawyers®, Bankruptcy: Business, 2007-2019
- Best Lawyers, Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law, Litigation-Bankruptcy, 2010-2019

Speaking Engagements

- "Sales of Assets Under the Bankruptcy Code", MICPEL, 2009
- Panelist, "Hot Topics in Claims Resolution", Bankruptcy Bar Association for the District of Maryland, Spring Break Weekend, 2004
- Panelist, "Getting the Chapter 11 Case on the Highway", Bankruptcy Bar Association for the District of Maryland Spring Break Weekend, 2003
- Panelist, "Real Estate Bankruptcies", American Bankruptcy Institute, Views from the Bench 2003, Georgetown University, 2003
- Lecturer, "What Litigators Must Know About Bankruptcy", MICPEL, 2002
- Lecturer, Maryland Institute for Continuing Professional Education for Lawyers, 1988 - Present
- Adjunct Professor, University of Baltimore School of Law, 1988 - 1990

Professional Associations and Memberships

- Chair, Dean's Advisory Council, University of Baltimore Law School Advisory Council, 2018-present; Member, 2004-present
- Walter Chandler American Inn of Court, 2010-present
- President, Bankruptcy Bar Association for the District of Maryland, 1999 - 2000
- Member, Board of Directors, Bankruptcy Bar Association for the District of Maryland, 1992
- Business Bankruptcy Law, Board Certified, American Bankruptcy Board of Certification, 1992

Published Works

- "Act Fast on Appeal of Confirmed Plan Before Equitable Mootness," Lisa Yonka Stevens and James A. Vidmar, American Bankruptcy Institute Journal (May 2019)
- In re Hagerstown Block Company, 570 B.R. 494 (2017) (successfully represented corporate Chapter 11 debtors in their objection to proofs of claim filed by shareholders who had exercised their stock redemption rights)
- Contributory Editor, Ginsburg & Martin on Bankruptcy, 4th Ed., 1999
- Moving for Relief from the Automatic Stay, A Guide for Lawyers and Lenders, MICPEL
- "Use Clauses' and the Bankruptcy Code: A Cautionary Tale," Commercial Leasing Law Journal Newsletters, Volume 17, August 2004
- "What Litigators Must Know About Bankruptcy," Maryland Institute for Continuing Professional Education for Lawyers