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**Harry J. Giacometti** is Chair of Flaster Greenberg's Bankruptcy, Financial Restructuring and Risk Management Department. His practice is focused on bankruptcy matters and commercial transactions and litigation. Through his representation of corporate, individual and institutional clients, Mr. Giacometti's wide range of experience includes:

- Commercial bankruptcy representation of debtors, creditors and trustees
- Commercial litigation in both the state and federal courts of Pennsylvania and New Jersey
- Commercial transactions, including formations, liquidations, asset sales and purchase transactions

During his more than 30 years in the legal services industry, Mr. Giacometti was a name partner of Smith Giacometti, a boutique business law firm that he co-founded in 1997. Before forming Smith Giacometti, he worked in the Reorganization and Finance Department of Duane Morris. Prior to joining private practice, he served as a trial attorney with the Tax Division of the United States Department of Justice.

Mr. Giacometti has been a contributing author in numerous legal publications, including the New Jersey Law Journal, published by the National Business Institute, the American Bankruptcy Trustee Journal, Multifamily Executive Magazine and others. He has also lectured on various topics relating to commercial transactions, bankruptcy law and commercial litigation.

### HONORS & AWARDS

- Rated AV® Preeminent™ by Martindale-Hubbell
- Selected as a 'Leader in the Field' of Bankruptcy/Restructuring, Pennsylvania, *Chambers & Partners USA*, 2015 - 2022
- 2022: A source praised Harry for being a "well-rounded attorney with a keen business ability" and providing "excellent legal representation".

### Practice Areas

Bankruptcy, Financial Restructuring and Risk Management Law

Business and Corporate Law Litigation

### Admissions

New Jersey

Pennsylvania

U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania

U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania

U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit

### Education

- Boston University School of Law, J.D.
- Dickinson College, B.A.

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- 2021: One source described Harry for being "excellent" and *"he took a very difficult case and got me through it intact."*
- 2020: One source described Harry as *"very experienced and well-rounded attorney."*
- 2019: Noted for being *"capable, smart and pragmatic: all the things you look for in a good counselor."*
- 2018: One source described Harry to be a *"terrific"* attorney.
- 2017: *"Extremely knowledgeable"* and *"a delight to work with."* He was praised by his peers as *"a good person to have on the other side – someone who is going to advocate for his client, but also someone you can make a deal with."*
- 2016: *"Harry is a very effective advocate for his clients."*

*A description of the standard or methodology on which the accolades are based can be found here. No aspect of this advertisement has been approved by the Supreme Court of New Jersey.*

#### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

- American Bankruptcy Institute
- Eastern District of Pennsylvania Bankruptcy Conference
- Philadelphia Bar Association
  - Commercial Group
- Sustainable Business Network of Greater Philadelphia
- Turnaround Management Association - Philadelphia Chapter
  - Member
  - Secretary, 2017-2022

#### **ARTICLES & ALERTS**

Avoiding Avoidance Actions in Bankruptcy  
*New Jersey Law Journal* (March 2, 2022)

Litigation Newsletter - June 2020  
*Newsletter* (June 30, 2020)

Basic Chapter 11 Bankruptcy  
*New Jersey Business Magazine* (November 2019)

The Barton Doctrine and Trustee Immunity  
*New Jersey Law Journal* (March 12, 2018)

The Barton Doctrine  
*National Association of Bankruptcy Trustees Journal* (Fall 2017)

Recognition for Contributions to the Amicus Committee  
*National Association of Bankruptcy Trustees Journal* (June 2017)

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What to Do When Your Resident Files for Bankruptcy  
*Multi Family Executive Magazine* (June 1, 2016)

Early Warning Signs That Your Contractor Is in Financial Distress  
*Multi Family Executive Magazine* (February 25, 2016)

Leases and Executory Contracts  
*Developments in Reorganization and Commercial Finance Law* (1995 - 1997)

Pennsylvania Foreclosures and Repossessions  
*National Business Institute* (2005)

Fundamentals of Bankruptcy Law and Procedure in Pennsylvania  
*National Business Institute* (2005)