Judah Skoff

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- First-chair trial lawyer and commercial litigator representing clients including real estate stakeholders, alternative energy firms, closely held businesses, joint venturers, business principals, and financial services firms
- Handles all aspects of the litigation lifecycle, including emergency applications and injunctive proceedings
- Representation in federal and state courts and in alternative dispute resolution proceedings, including the American Arbitration Association, JAMS and the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA)

Judah is a first-chair trial lawyer and commercial litigator with a focus on complex business disputes, including real estate and land use litigation, closely held partnership disputes, high stakes "bet the company" litigation, creditors' rights and bankruptcy/insolvency matters, and disputes on behalf of alternative energy firms. He provides end-to-end strategic counsel, navigating clients through every phase of the litigation lifecycle—from pre-suit investigation and aggressive motion practice to trial, the negotiation of settlements, and appellate advocacy. He has particular experience in emergency applications and injunctive proceedings, especially in the context of closely held disputes where control of a business is on the line.

He represents property developers, landlords, financial services firms, alternative energy firms, business partners, joint venture entities, startups, large and middle market businesses, insurers, lenders and other clients in a wide array of claims in the business and insolvency contexts, including fraud, breach of fiduciary duty, breach

of contract, business and traditional torts, fraudulent transfers, preferences, negligent design, and professional negligence.

In the real estate, redevelopment and land use areas, Judah's considerable litigation experience includes the representation of owners, developers, landlords, tenants, and other parties in complex disputes related to the interpretation of leases, claims arising out of financial agreements, claims arising from property redevelopment, claims related to environmental contamination, and claims against municipal entities.

Judah litigates matters in federal and state courts and before alternative dispute resolution venues, including the American Arbitration Association (AAA) and JAMS. He has also handled matters before the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA).

Areas of Focus

Practice Areas

- Litigation
- Commercial Litigation
- Fiduciary Relationships
- Restrictive Covenant/Trade Secret/Unfair Competition
- Shareholder & Partnership Disputes
- Real Estate Litigation
- Condominium Litigation
- Real Estate Contract Disputes
- Landlord & Tenant
- Land Use & Zoning Disputes
- Real Estate Contract Disputes
- Specific Performance
- Title Litigation
- Environmental Litigation & Dispute Resolution
- Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Bankruptcy, Financial Restructuring & Creditors' Rights
- Real Estate
- Commercial Real Estate Leasing
- Redevelopment, Land Use & Zoning

Industries

- Real Estate

- Financial Services & Insurance
- Energy, Public Utilities & Solid Waste

Credentials

Bar Admissions

- New Jersey, 2007
- New York, 2008
- U.S. District Court, District of New Jersey, 2007

Education

- Boston University School of Law, J.D., *cum laude*, 2007
- Brown University, A.B., 2002

Recognition

- Listed in *The Best Lawyers in America* (a trademark of Woodward/White, Inc.) in the Commercial Litigation practice area (2027)
- Listed in *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch* (a trademark of Woodward/White, Inc.) in the Commercial Litigation practice area (2026)
- Listed in *Super Lawyers – New Jersey Rising Stars* (a Thomson Reuters business) in the Business Litigation practice area (2016 - 2017)
- Recognized as an Empire State Counsel Honoree in recognition of his pro bono service (2015)
- Recipient of an Amicus Curiae Award from the New Jersey State Bar Association for his participation in a successful pro bono appeal to the New Jersey Supreme Court (2014)
- Named a Berrie Leadership Fellow, one of the Top 20 emerging Jewish nonprofit lay leaders in Northern NJ, by the Russell Berrie Foundation, which focuses on training in leadership, nonprofit governance, and fundraising (2011- 2013)
- Recognized in the "36 Under 36" listing of accomplished professionals in the U.S. Jewish community by *Jewish Week* newspaper (2012)
- Honored as an Edward S. Hennessey Scholar and a Paul J. Liacos Scholar, both in recognition of outstanding academic achievement in law school

Clerkships

- Former law clerk to The Honorable Donald S. Coburn, Superior Court of New Jersey, Presiding Judge, Appellate Division (2007-2008)

Experience

Representative Matters

- Defended a global investment bank in a FINRA arbitration against a leading global wealth management firm concerning alleged solicitation of clients and misuse of proprietary information by former employees. Achieved highly favorable settlement after replacing national counsel.
- Represented a New Jersey county in a multi-million-dollar contract dispute arising from a pre-development agreement for a proposed central energy facility intended to serve a county jail and adjacent state prison, defending against breach-of-contract and reimbursement claims and pursuing resolution through mediation and settlement negotiations.
- Represented Hartz Mountain Industries in a litigation against a municipality related to a multi-million-dollar redevelopment project. Achieved highly favorable settlement after commencement of trial.
- Represented a nationwide equipment distributor in multi-jurisdictional successor-liability litigations involving alleged exposure exceeding $150 million. The matters included separate actions filed in New Jersey and California federal courts and New Jersey Superior Court, as well as representation of a company principal in a related Chapter 11 bankruptcy proceeding in New Jersey.
- Supporting lead counsel in serving as environmental counsel to an outdoor products manufacturer in facility compliance, real estate matters, and the environmental decommissioning and remediation of a major New Jersey manufacturing operation.

Affiliations

Memberships

- Commercial Real Estate Development Association (CREDA): Education Committee

Personal

- Solomon Schechter Day School of Bergen County (former member, Board of Trustees)
- While attending law school, served as articles editor for the school's *Annual Review of Banking and Financial Law* and president of the Boston University School of Law Jewish Law Students Association. Also participated as a member of the John J. Gibbons National Criminal Procedure Moot Court Team, earning Best Oralist honors at an annual competition.

Insights & More

Announcements

2027 Edition of Best Lawyers Recognizes 50 Attorneys in 38 Practice Areas
8.20.26

2026 Edition of Best Lawyers Recognizes 54 Attorneys in 41 Practice Areas: Eight Greenbaum Lawyers Recognized on "Ones to Watch" List

8.21.25

Publications

Greenbaum Nabs Business Litigator From McCarter & English
7.29.20

Seminars & Events

Healthcare Providers and Hospitals in the Age of COVID-19: A Look at Bankruptcy & Creditors' Rights Issues and Strategies
11.30.20