



ERIC J. PELLETIER

Principal, Bethesda

PRACTICE AREAS

- Business Litigation
- Insurance Recovery
- Legal Ethics
- Mass Toxic Torts
- Restrictive Covenants and Trade Secret Protection

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Maryland Attorney Grievance Commission's Peer Review Panel, Member, 2004-present, Vice-Chair 2022-present

PRACTICE FOCUS

Eric J. Pelletier is a commercial litigation attorney who represents clients in a variety of complex, high value commercial disputes. While Eric's practice regularly includes corporate and partnership disputes, he also handles real estate controversies, insurance matters and trusts and estate litigation. Eric's other real estate litigation experience includes transactional controversies, partition claims and the trial of a riparian rights claim. While Eric frequently resolves litigation through pre-trial motions, he has tried many bench and jury trials in state and federal courts and has argued numerous appeals. Eric's practice also includes estate and trust litigation, as well as insurance coverage and recovery matters.

Eric is the Chair of Offit Kurman's Ethics Committee and is the Vice-Chair of the Maryland Attorney Grievance Commission's Peer Review Committee.

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- Represented a public company and its subsidiary in winning a \$9.5 million arbitration award against parties who fraudulently induced a merger of the companies
- Regularly handles corporate disputes arising from corporate acquisitions, internal disputes over control and governance, and partnership disputes
- Regularly defends property management companies and building owners against claims brought by tenants, including, but not limited to, housing discrimination and tenant class action claims
- In a case that resulted in a reported decision from Maryland's highest court, defeated a tenant class's attempted disgorgement of nearly \$4 million in rental payments from an owner of a 300-unit building
- *Aleti v. Metro. Baltimore, LLC*, 479 Md. 696, 279 A.3d 905 (2022)
- *Aleti v. Metro. Baltimore, LLC*, 251 Md. App. 482, 254 A.3d 533 (2021)
- *Zahner v. Sec'y Pa. Dep't of Human Servs.*, 802 F.3d 497 (3d Cir. 2015)
- *Sagebrush Sols., LLC v. David-James, LLC*, No. 3:14-CV-2701-G, 2015 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 28810 (N.D. Tex. Mar. 9, 2015)
- *Jarvis v. Grady Mgmt.*, 2015 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 8626 (D. Md., Jan. 21, 2015)
- *Teamsters Local 639 Empls., Health Tr. v. Hileman*, 988 F. Supp. 2d 18 (D.D.C. 2013)
- *Morris v. Okla. Dep't of Human Servs.*, 685 F.3d 925 (10th Cir. 2012)
- *J.G. Wentworth Originations, LLC v. Mobley*, Civil Action No. 11-cv-1406, 2012 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 150157 (D. Md. Oct. 12, 2012)
- *Abbott v. Gordon*, Civil Action No. DKC 09-0372, 2010 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 113160 (D. Md. Oct. 25, 2010)
- *Roese v. Keyco, Inc.* No. JFM 06-951, 2008 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 62454 (D. Md. Aug. 12, 2008)
- *James v. Richman*, 547 F.3d 214 (3d Cir. 2008)

RECOGNITIONS

- Best Lawyer, Best Lawyers in America, 2024
- Super Lawyer, Super Lawyers Maryland, 2015-2021, 2024

EDUCATION

- The Catholic University of America, J.D.
- University of Maryland, B.A., cum laude

ADMISSIONS

- Maryland
- District of Columbia
- United States District Courts for the Districts of Maryland and the District of Columbia
- United States Courts of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit and the District of Columbia Circuit

AWARDS