



Meaghan Murphy

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About Meaghan Murphy

Meaghan Murphy, a partner with Meland Budwick, P.A, focuses her practice on bankruptcy and complex commercial litigation. In her bankruptcy practice, Meaghan represents business debtors, bankruptcy trustees, and creditors in a variety of Chapter 7 and Chapter 11 proceedings, with an emphasis on representing commercial landlords and tenants. Meaghan's strong understanding of commercial leasing and its treatment in bankruptcy has benefited both commercial landlord and tenant clients, including in helping successfully guide multiple retail debtor-tenants in distressed commercial leasing situations through Chapter 11, resulting in millions in relief. Meaghan also regularly pursues and defends adversary proceedings, including fraudulent transfers and preference matters.

Meaghan handles a wide variety of complex commercial litigation matters for clients, including pursuing and defending commercial foreclosure matters as well as contract and business tort claims. Meaghan frequently handles post-judgment matters for clients and takes an aggressive approach to both pursuing and defending post-judgment collection actions.

In addition, Meaghan assists in due diligence review for investor clients purchasing distressed loans and assets and provides necessary litigation representation following purchase.

Meaghan is committed to giving back to the community. She is an active member of the Junior League of Miami and has provided pro bono representation and assistance to Chapter 7 debtors, individuals in residential foreclosure proceedings, and individuals with major health concerns such as HIV and AIDS with immigration, Social Security, and public benefits matters.

Education

- University of Miami School of Law, J.D., 2012, *magna cum laude*
 - Dean's List
 - Order of the Coif
 - Psychology, Public Policy & Law Journal, Managing Editor (2011-2012)
- University of Idaho, B.S., 2008

Memberships

- 2022-2023 Treasurer, Bankruptcy Bar Association for the Southern District of Florida

Publications

- Co-Author: *"An Unlimited Reach-Back Period When IRS Is Triggering Creditor?"*
American Bankruptcy Institute, January 2017.
- Co-Author: *"Rejection of Songwriter Publishing Agreements in Bankruptcy"*
American Bankruptcy Institute, January 2019.

Bar Admissions

- Florida
- Southern District of Florida

Representative Matters

Practice Area	Representative Matters
Bankruptcy, Commercial Litigation	Representation of defendants in fraudulent transfer adversary proceedings involving unresolved issues of law concerning use of the Internal Revenue Service as the triggering creditor. Representation led to a favorable global settlement of multiple pending adversary proceedings.
Commercial Litigation	Representation of lender in high value personal property foreclosure proceedings against a commercial entity. Judgment was obtained and the client was able to obtain possession and title to the valuable personal property at issue.
Commercial Litigation	Representation of note purchaser in commercial foreclosure proceedings. Judgment was obtained and the commercial property was successfully sold at auction.
Commercial Litigation	Representation of defendant against a judgment creditor seeking to collect on a judgment in excess of \$20 million. The matter involved highly disputed and unresolved issues concerning the applicable statute of limitations. Representation led to a very favorable settlement for the defendant.
Commercial Litigation	Represented developer in breach of contract action against an investor and obtained judgment in favor of developer.
Real Estate	Assisted multiple investors in conducting due diligence review in relation to purchase of distressed loans secured by commercial properties.