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Practice Areas

Litigation

Bar Admissions

New York, 2005

United States District Court, Southern District of New York, 2006

United States District Court, Eastern District of New York, 2006

United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, 2006

Education

Brooklyn Law School

• J.D. (*magna cum laude*) - 2004

Honors & Activities:

• *Brooklyn Law Review*, Notes and Comments Editor; Richardson Scholar

The Catholic University of America

• B.A. - 2001

Christopher A. Gorman joined Rosenberg & Estis, P.C. in 2023 and is a Member with the firm's Litigation Department.

Gorman concentrates his practice in all phases of complex commercial litigation in State and Federal Courts. Gorman has litigated cases on behalf of corporations and individuals involving a variety of substantive areas of the law, including breach of contract, commercial and residential mortgage foreclosure actions, construction litigation, landlord-tenant litigation, partnership and shareholder disputes, bankruptcy litigation, estate litigation, employment and restrictive covenant disputes, RICO, trademark litigation, and a wide array of real estate-related litigation. Gorman also serves as outside general counsel to several start-up entities and other corporations providing advice to clients on all general corporate, mergers and acquisitions, contract and employment-related matters.

Gorman has been designated as a New York Super Lawyer in Business Litigation since 2021, a distinction earned by only 5% of the lawyers in the NY metro area. Gorman was selected as a "New York Super Lawyers Rising Star" in the area of business litigation for the years 2013 through 2017. In 2016, Gorman was selected by the Long Island Business News as one of Long Island's "40 Under 40" future business leaders of Long Island.

Gorman is frequently called upon to lecture to the Bar on various matters. Recent presentations include a presentation made on behalf of the Nassau County Bar Association entitled "The Anatomy of a Mortgage Foreclosure Action," a presentation made on behalf of the Construction Law Committee of the Nassau County Bar Association on New York State's Prompt Payment Act, a presentation made on behalf of the New Jersey Law Journal entitled "Recent Developments in the Law Governing the Preservation of Electronically Stored Information," as well as a program on behalf of the New York State Bar Association entitled "Debt Collection and the Enforcement of Money Judgments," where Gorman's presentation focused upon the ethical obligations of lawyers and others collecting consumer debts, including obligations imposed by the federal Fair Debt Collection Practices Act. Gorman also regularly publishes articles on matters of interest to the Bar. Articles that Gorman has authored have appeared in, among other publications, the New York Law Journal, Law360, Nassau Lawyer, and the Vermont Law Review.

Prior to joining Rosenberg & Estis, Gorman was a Partner with Abrams Fensterman, LLP, where he served as the Director of the Real Estate and Construction Litigation Department.



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Notable Work

- *Weininger v. Deutsche Bank National Trust Company*, 2024 WL 2790174 (Sup. Ct. Westchester Co. May 30, 2024)
- *Citibank, N.A. v. Herman*, — A.D.3d —, 2023 WL 2778406 (2d Dep't April 5, 2023)
- *Citibank, N.A. v. Herman*, — A.D.3d —, 2023 WL 2778444 (2d Dep't April 5, 2023)
- *Bank of New York Mellon v. Mannino*, — A.D.3d —, 2022 WL 6851270 (2d Dep't Oct. 12, 2022)
- *Deutsche Bank National Trust Company v. Weininger*, — N.Y.S.3d —, 2022 WL 2232069 (2d Dep't June 22, 2022)
- *U.S. Bank National Association v. Tesoriero*, — A.D.3d —, — N.Y.S.3d —, 2022 WL 1231650 (2d Dep't Apr. 27, 2022)
- *Raymond James Bank, NA v. Guzzetti*, — A.D.3d —, — N.Y.S.3d —, 2022 WL 385992 (2d Dep't Feb. 9, 2022)
- *2010–3 SFR Venture, LLC v. Schiavoni*, — N.Y.S.3d —, 2021 WL 5226042 (2d Dep't Nov. 10, 2021)
- *U.S. Bank National Association v. Weinman*, 2021 WL 2551822 (2d Dep't June 23, 2021)
- *LNV Corporation v. Almberg*, 2021 WL 1774185 (2d Dep't May 5, 2021)
- *Bayview Loan Servicing LLC v. Starr-Klein*, 2021 WL 1396244 (2d Dep't Apr. 14, 2021)
- *Federal National Mortgage Association v. Hollien*, 2021 WL 1202850 (2d Dep't Mar. 31, 2021)
- *U.S. Real Estate Credit Holdings III-B, LP v. BCS 20 West LLC*, 2021 WL 5413145 (Sup. Ct. N.Y. Co. 2021)
- *Wilmington Trust, National Association v. Bona*, 187 A.D.3d 1099 (2d Dep't 2020)
- *U.S. Bank National Association v. Moulton*, 179 A.D.3d 734 (2d Dep't 2020)
- *Hudson City Savings Bank v. 59 Sands Point, LLC*, 153 A.D.3d 613 (2d Dep't 2017)
- *Austin v. Gould*, 137 A.D.3d 495 (1st Dep't 2016)
- *Citibank, N.A. v. Herman*, 125 A.D.3d 587 (2d Dep't 2015)
- *BAC Home Loans Servicing, LP v. Hassett*, 2013 WL 497314 (Sup. Ct. Suffolk Co. Jan. 28, 2013)



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Published Works

- “NY CRE Lenders Need Clarity On Foreclosure Standing,” Law360, January 2024
- “NY Law Alters Foreclosure Timeliness Framework Post-Engel,” Law360, February 2023
- “Why NY Foreclosure Abuse Prevention Act Should Pass,” Law360, April 2022, Co-Author
- “2008 Crisis Offers Lessons For Oncoming Foreclosure Wave,” Law360, January 2022
- “NY Debt Collection Ruling’s Narrow Application For Lenders,” Law360, September 2021
- “NY ‘Intentional Violation’ Ruling May Delay Foreclosure Cases,” Law360, August 2021
- “NY Ruling Should Make Counsel More Cautious In Emails,” Law360, August 2021
- “NY Mezzanine Foreclosure Ruling May Limit Borrower Options,” Law360, March 2021
- “NY Ruling Offers Mortgage Lenders Foreclosure Alternative,” Law360, January 2021
- “The Effect of a Discontinuance on the Mortgage Foreclosure Statute of Limitations Period,” The Suffolk Lawyer, April 2018
- “Buying Opportunities; Avoiding Disasters,” CRE Finance World, January 2018
- “A Narrow Exception to New York’s Foreclosure Limitations Period,” Law360, March 2017
- “‘Mandatory’ Arbitration of Construction Disputes Under New York State’s Prompt Payment Act,” New York Law Journal, March 2017
- “Casting Doubt on the Validity of Servicer Affidavits in Foreclosure Litigation,” New York Law Journal, October 2016
- “The Statute of Limitations Defense in Foreclosure Actions,” Law360, November 2015
- “UCC and the Importance of a Paper Clip,” Law360, October 2015
- “Stage is Set for New York High Court Review of Standing Waiver,” Law360, July 2015
- “New York High Court Standing Ruling Looks Like a Win for Lenders,” Law360, July 2015
- “Road Map to Complying With RPAPL Pre-Foreclosure Notice Requirement,” New York Law Journal, June 2015
- “‘Waived’ Standing Defense in Mortgage Foreclosures: Far From a Model of Clarity,” New York Law Journal, May 2015



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- “Mortgage Securitization: What is its Impact on Lenders’ Ability to Foreclose,” New York Law Journal, March 2015
- “Independence Bank v. Valentine: Placing Limits on CPLR 3408 Settlement Conferences in Commercial Mortgage Foreclosure Actions,” Nassau Lawyer, September 2014
- “Preservation of Electronically Stored Information: It’s Not Just for Litigators Anymore,” Nassau Lawyer, May 2012
- “Public School Students’ Fourth Amendment Rights After Vernonia and Earls: Why Limits Must be Set on Suspicionless Drug Screening in the Public Schools,” 29 Vermont L. Rev. 147, Fall 2004

Classes & Seminars

- “Latte With A Lawyer - Episode 80,” (Interviewed) August 2022
- Rising Levels of Foreclosures: Insights for Owners, Investors & Lenders (Hosted by PincusCo Media, LLC), Panelist, December 2020

Honors & Awards

- New York Super Lawyer in Business Litigation since 2021
- New York Super Lawyers Rising Star (2013-2017)
- “40 Under 40,” Long Island Business News

Professional Associations

- Nassau County Bar Association
- New York State Bar Association
- Long Island Real Estate Group, New Generation Committee

Government Service

- Law Clerk to the Honorable Gabriel W. Gorenstein, United States District Court for the Southern District of New York (2004-2005)