

# Gary M. Kushner

#### **PARTNER**



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EDUCATION J.D., California Western School of Law

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ADMISSIONS New York

U.S. District Courts, Southern and Eastern Districts of New York

### **Experience**

Gary Kushner heads Goetz Platzer's Debtors' & Creditors' Rights / Bankruptcy & Corporate Workouts group. He concentrates in the areas of commercial litigation, Chapter 11 reorganization, and related litigation. Gary represents a diverse constituency of clients including corporate debtors, secured creditors including banks and other financial institutions, unsecured creditors, landlords, asset acquisition entities, and creditors' committees in both bankruptcy cases and out-of-court workouts.

Gary services companies in all industries, assessing each situation thoroughly and aligning with CPAs and other attorneys, appraisers, and investment bankers to arrive at the most efficient and practical strategy to restore the health of his clients' business. Gary's clear, straightforward communication style helps clients understand their various options and the advantages and disadvantages of each so they can make an informed decision on how best to move forward.

As a skilled negotiator, Gary is often able to secure a forbearance period, working with interested parties to agree on adjusted terms in order to avoid the costly prospect of bankruptcy. If an out-of-court workout is not possible, Gary's negotiation skills carry over to the courtroom, where he effectively communicates with juries and judges to achieve the most favorable result for his clients. Gary's bankruptcy litigation matters include prosecuting or defending preference litigations, fraudulent conveyance litigations, dischargeability-related litigation, and state court litigations including replevin actions and complicated enforcement proceedings.

Gary has served as a guest speaker on various topics related to bankruptcy practice and procedure and has been recognized by Long Island Business News and Who's Who in Tax and Bankruptcy Law. Prior to launching his law career, Gary founded a restaurant chain in California, expanded it to nine locations, and eventually orchestrated the sale of the business. This hands-on experience gained him insights into business ownership and operation that he still uses today to construct his strategies.

## **Expertise**



Bankruptcy



Corporate



Litigation

#### **Affiliations**

New York State Bar Association » American Bankruptcy Institute » Nassau County Bar Association