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Jerry Markowitz is a founding shareholder of Markowitz Ringel Trusty + Hartog, P.A. He concentrates his practice in the areas of creditors' and debtors' rights, including workouts, bankruptcy, asset recovery, insolvency, receiverships, reorganization, restructuring and mediation.

### Representative Matters

- Counsel to liquidating trustee in a confirmed chapter 11 case where creditors have been paid in full and equity will receive more than \$25 million.
- Counsel to chapter 11 debtors consisting of real estate holding company, skilled nursing facility, and a hospital where all of the assets were sold, which will result in plans providing payment in full to creditors and significant amounts payable to equity.
- Co-counsel to a creditor in a large Ponzi-scheme bankruptcy case and recovered over \$20 million for the creditor.
- Counsel to a large real estate developer and successfully resolved \$110 million in debt.
- Mediated sale of all assets of a large regional law firm in a chapter 11 bankruptcy case.

### Reported Decisions

- In re Saleh v. Triton Container Intern., Ltd., 175 B.R. 422 (Bankr.S.D.Fla. 1994)
- In re Cascade Intern., Inc., 147 B.R. 1003 (S.D.Fla. 1992)
- In re Jet Florida System, Inc., 841 F.2d 1082 (11th Cir. 1988)
- In re Airlift Intern., Inc., 92 B.R. 550 (Bankr.S.D.Fla. 1988)
- In re Century Mach. Tools, Inc., 37 B.R. 811 (Bankr.S.D.Fla. 1984)
- In re Davidson Lumber Co., 19 B.R. 871, (Bankr.S.D.Fla. 1982)
- In re Belize Airways Ltd., 7 B.R. 601, (Bankr.S.D.Fla. 1980)

### Awards and Recognition

- Chambers USA, Bankruptcy and Restructuring, 2015 - 2023
  - Senior Statespeople
- The Best Lawyers in America, 1999 - 2024
- The Lawdragon 500, Leading Bankruptcy and Restructuring Lawyers, 2020 - 2023
- AV Preeminent® Rating, Martindale-Hubbell
- Daily Business Review, featured in "[YouFit Health Clubs' Bankruptcy Petition Is Another Hit to Mall Operators](#)," November 2020



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- Recipient, *2018 Mark G. Stingley Leadership Award*, American Bankruptcy Institute
- Florida Super Lawyers, 2006 - 2023
  - Top 100 Lawyers in Florida, 2015 - 2017, 2021 - 2022
  - Top 100 Lawyers in Miami, 2015 - 2023
- South Florida Legal Guide, *Top Lawyer*, 2019 - 2021
- South Florida Business Journal, Best of the Bar, 2016
- Florida Trend Legal Elite, 2022
  - Hall of Fame, 2016 - 2022
- Lifestyle Media Group's Leaders in Law 2015 Award, Winner

## Publications

- Quoted, "[Bankruptcies Expected to Be 'Like an Open Faucet' When Pandemic-Related Restrictions Ease](#)," Daily Business Review, August 17, 2021
- Co-Author, "[Civility and Professionalism in the Courtroom—A Needed Guide for Politicians?](#)," Daily Business Review, October 30, 2020
- Co-Author, Mediation, American Bankruptcy Institute, 2016
- Co-Author, "ADR and Bankruptcy," ADR Deskbook for the Business Lawyer, Business Law Section of the American Bar Association, 2016
- Author, "Contracting to Avoid Assumption: A Review of the Availability of Certain Contractual Provisions That May Be Employed to Assist Landlords in Asserting and Enforcing Bargained-for Rights", Journal of Bankruptcy Law and Practice, January/February 2002

## Speaking Engagements

- Speaker, "Prepping for Success: The Keys to Maximizing the Mediation Process," American Bankruptcy Institute, 2021
- Speaker, "Hollywood Squares: Bankruptcy History & Trivia," American Bankruptcy Institute, 2021
- Speaker, "WWJGD (What Would Judge Glenn Do)?," American Bankruptcy Institute, 2020
- Speaker, "Leading Issues in Ethics and Civility In and Out of the Courtroom," American Bankruptcy Institute, Annual Spring Meeting, 2019
- Speaker, "Chapter 11 Pre-Confirmation Issues: Motions to Dismiss - Is Phoenix Piccadilly Still Alive?," American Bankruptcy Institute, 2016
- Speaker, "Somewhere Beyond the Sea, The Challenges of Mediation, Cross Border and in the Caribbean," American Bankruptcy Institute, 2016
- Speaker, "Ethics Session: Say Hello to My Little Friend, LLC: Ethical Issues related to 'Aggressive' Asset-Protection Planning and Lying Client," American Bankruptcy Institute, 2015
- Speaker, "Disclosure? We Don't Need No Stinking Disclosure! Rule 2014 and Ethical Conflicts of Interest," American Bankruptcy Institute, 2014

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15 YEARS

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FLORIDA LEGAL ELITE™

Education

J.D., University of Miami School of Law  
B.S., University of Florida

Admitted to

Florida  
United States District Court for the  
Southern District of Florida  
United States Court of Appeals for the  
Fifth Circuit  
United States Court of Appeals for the  
Eleventh Circuit  
The United States Supreme Court

- Speaker, "Mediation," American Bankruptcy Institute, 2014
- Speaker, "Boris Badenough CSI? Ethical and Civility Issues in Cases Tainted by Crime," American Bankruptcy Institute, 2012
- Speaker, "Referees Between Thieves? In Pari Delicto and Insurance Coverage Issues," American Bankruptcy Institute, 2011
- Speaker, "Making Money in a Downturn: Ponzi Schemes and Other Scams for Bilking Money, from Madoff to Consumer Rip-Offs," American Bankruptcy Institute, 2010
- Panelist, *Executory Contracts*, American Bankruptcy Institute, Twentieth Annual Spring Meeting, 2002
- Faculty, American Bankruptcy Institute/St. John's University School of Law's Mediation Training Program, 2013-2019
- Speaker, "Be Financially Aware: How To Build and Protect Your Credit," University of Miami Miller School of Medicine, February 2019
- University of Miami Bankruptcy Skills Workshop
  - Faculty
  - Co-Chair Business Bankruptcy Committee and Continuing Education Committee

## Professional and Community Activities

- American Bankruptcy Institute, Member
  - Vice President of Membership - 2021 - Present
  - Executive Committee - 2021 - Present
  - Board of Directors, 2015 - Present
  - Co-Chair, Mediation Committee & Regional Chair of the ABI Endowment
- American Bankruptcy Institute Southeast Bankruptcy Workshop and Caribbean Insolvency Symposium, Past Advisory Board Member
- American Bankruptcy Institute/St. John's University School of Law's Mediation Training Program, Graduate
- American Bar Association, Business Law Section, Member
- Bankruptcy Bar Association of the Southern District of Florida, Member and Past President
- Certified Mediator in Florida
- Commercial Bar Association, Honorary Member
- Commercial Law League of America, Member
- Florida Academy of Professional Mediators, Member
- Florida Bar Mentor Pilot Program
- Florida Bar Unlicensed Practice of Law Committee

- Chairperson, 11th Judicial Circuit
- Florida Fiduciary Forum, Founding Member
- John W. Kozyak University of Miami Law School Mentoring Program, Mentor
- National Association of Bankruptcy Trustees, Member
- St. Thomas University, Pro Bono Clinic, Mentor
- University of Miami School of Law, Pro Bono Clinic, Mentor
- University of Miami School of Law Alumni Association, Past President
- University of Miami, Library Visiting Committee
- Unlicensed Practice of Law Committee, 11th Judicial Circuit, Chair