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Ralph E. Preite is a partner in the firm's Bankruptcy and Creditors' Rights department. He has extensive experience handling a wide range of bankruptcy matters, including business reorganizations, stay relief, lease assumptions, cash collateral usage, 363 sales, plan confirmations, and discharge objections, and related litigation. Ralph represents a diverse clientele that includes debtors, financial institutions, leasing companies, hedge funds, broker-dealers, non-profit organizations, real estate developers, NASDAQ listed and other publicly traded companies, and bankruptcy trustees.

Before joining Cullen and Dykman, Ralph held partner roles at other law firms where he chaired restructuring groups and handled significant state court litigation and bankruptcy matters.

Practices

- Bankruptcy and Creditors' Rights
- Bankruptcy Litigation
- Debtor Representations
- International Bankruptcy
- Secured Creditors' and Lenders
- Banking and Financial Services
- Banking and Financial Services Litigation
- Commercial Litigation
- Appellate Litigation
- Loan Workout

Industries

- Business Reorganization and Financial Restructuring
- Financial Institutions
- Real Estate

Bar Admissions

- New York
- U.S. Court of International Trade
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York
- U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey

Education

- J.D., New York Law School, 1990
- B.A., New York University, 1983

Representative Experience

- Represents Debtors in Chapter 11 Bankruptcy Reorganizations
- Represents purchasers of assets from Bankruptcy estates
- Protects and asserts secured creditors' claims in State Court and Bankruptcy Court
- Enforces non-US judgments in the US, including in Bankruptcy Court

Professional and Community Activities

- Board of Directors Member & Chair, Columbian Lawyers Association First Judicial Department
- Co-Chair Journal Committee, Columbian Lawyers Association, First Judicial Department
- New York State Bar Association
- Served as Epiphany School Foundation Trustee, Chaired Development, Search & Strategy Committees
- Served as Judicial Law Clerk, Chambers of Hon. Jerome Feller, U.S. Bankruptcy Judge, U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Eastern District of New York

Speaking Engagements

- How Chapter 11 Addresses Wage Litigation, Columbian Lawyers Assoc., 2023

- Best Practices Regarding Tech - Legal Ethics, West Legal Ed Center, 2019
- Appeared on Law Line TV program with the late U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Denis Milton
- Appeared on NBC network TV show Extra, as Bankruptcy Law expert