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Evelina Gentry is a litigator, who provides clients with strategic counsel and creative solutions to complex legal problems. She focuses on high-stake complex commercial litigation, corporate disputes, and bankruptcy litigation. She has substantial private equity experience and unique bankruptcy litigation experience.

Evelina achieves results for clients through the early assessment of critical facts and controlling legal principles to develop a comprehensive strategy. Evelina represents clients in a wide range of industries, including financial services, retail, oil and gas, healthcare, and real estate. Evelina also represents creditors and trustees in the full range of bankruptcy litigation matters, including fraudulent transfers, Ponzi schemes, and preference actions.

Fluent in Polish, she also provides routine counsel to U.S. companies looking to expand their footprint in Eastern Europe, as well as to Eastern European companies seeking to expand in the U.S. She has worked with several European companies on litigation issues in the U.S., negotiating and drafting complex contracts, and setting up corporate formalities in the United States.

Evelina contributes thought leadership to *Law360*, *Intellectual Property & Technology Law Journal*, and *IP Litigator*, and the firm's intellectual property blog *Marks Works and Secrets*.

Published Work and Lectures

- Intellectural Property & Technology Law Journal, Author, "Will the COVID-19 Pandemic Impact the Ability to Secure an 'Incontestable' Trademark?," July-August 2020
- *IP Litigator*, Co-Author, "Led Zeppelin Prevails in Stairway to Heaven Copyright Battle," May-June 2020
- Law360, Co-Author, "Antitrust Pitfalls For Suppliers In A Constrained Market," May 8, 2020
- Law360, Co-Author, "How Sellers Can Avoid Price-Gouging For 'Essential' Cannabis, "April 9, 2020

Areas of Experience

Litigation

Commercial Disputes

Private Equity Litigation

Preference and Fraudulent Transfer Litigation

Financial Services

Trade Secrets, Restrictive Covenants, and Unfair Competition

Education

J.D., Loyola Law School, Los Angeles, 2013, Lloyd Trevis Award for Excellence in Commercial Law; American Bankruptcy Institute Medal of Excellence M.A., Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznań, 2002

Admissions

Bars

California

Languages

Polish

Russian

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Record Number of Akerman Lawyers Named to *The Best Lawyers in America* 2024 Guide August 22, 2023

The Supreme Court Limits the Extraterritorial Application of the Lanham Act July 10, 2023

SCOTUS: Social Media Companies Not Liable For Aiding and Abetting ISIS June 13, 2023 • Intellectural Property & Technology Law Journal, Co-Author, "Queen Anne's Revenge?," February 2020

Related Professional Experience

- Judicial Law Clerk to the Honorable Alan M. Ahart, U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Central District of California, 2014-2015
- Law Clerk, Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office, 2011

Honors and Distinctions

• The Best Lawyers in America 2022-2024, Listed in California for Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law as "One to Watch"