



## Gerrit Pronkske

Of Counsel

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## Overview

**Gerrit Pronkske assists in cutting costs while utilizing the rules of the bankruptcy code to achieve efficient and successful outcomes related to the reorganization process, always with his clients' goals top-of-mind. He has built strong experience in all areas of bankruptcy, business law, commercial litigation, and real estate, additionally serving as a trained mediator specializing in cases involving bankruptcy, insolvency, and commercial disputes.**

With thorough experience in handling complex cases, Gerrit's practice focuses on Chapter 11 proceedings and bankruptcy mediations. He also has a unique understanding of individual cases involving homestead law, which refers to exempting homesteads from being sold to settle an outstanding debt or seized for such purposes as well.

As the author of "Pronkske's Texas Bankruptcy, Annotated" Gerrit shares insights and guidance in the 1,100-page textbook used by bankruptcy practitioners throughout Texas, currently in its 21st edition and published by *Texas Lawyer*. Gerrit formerly served as editor of *Texas Bankruptcy Decisions*, a bimonthly case report summarizing all bankruptcy decisions of the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals and all bankruptcy and federal district courts within the state of Texas.

Gerrit is a former Law Clerk to the Honorable Robert C. McGuire, former Chief U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the Northern District of Texas, Dallas Division.

## Education

- Texas Tech University School of Law, 1983 (J.D.)
- Texas Tech University, 1980 (B.A.), *magna cum laude*

## Bar Admissions

- Texas

## Court Admissions

- U.S. Supreme Court
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Texas
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas
- U.S. District Court for the Western District of Texas
- U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas
- U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas
- U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Texas
- U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of Texas

## Community Involvement

- Sammons Center for the Arts, Board of Directors, President, 1993–1999
- St. Anthony School Programs, Board of Directors and Board of Advisors

## Distinctions

- *D Magazine*, Best Lawyers in Dallas, 2009, 2022
- *Best Lawyers in America*, 2011–2026
- *Texas Super Lawyers*, 2005, 2012–2018, 2022–2024

## Memberships

- American Bankruptcy Institute
- Dallas Bar Association
- Federal Bar Association Bankruptcy Law Section, Chairman, 2007
- Dallas Bankruptcy Bar Association, Chairman, 2005
- John C. Ford American Inn of Court, Master, 2005–2018

## Presentations and Publications

- *Pronskes's Texas Bankruptcy* – 21st Edition, Annotated, 2021
- "Bankruptcy, Fifth Circuit Symposium," 23 Texas Tech Law Review 117, 1992
- "Bankruptcy, Fifth Circuit Symposium," 22 Texas Tech Law Review 417, 1991
- "Bankruptcy, Fifth Circuit Symposium," 21 Texas Tech Law Review 111, 1990
- "Bankruptcy, Fifth Circuit Symposium," 19 Texas Tech Law Review 341, 1988
- "Bankruptcy, Fifth Circuit Symposium," 18 Texas Tech Law Review 341, 1987
- "Bankruptcy, Fifth Circuit Symposium," 17 Texas Tech Law Review 427, 1986