

Craig Sternberg is a native of Washington State. His practice focuses on counseling and representing creditors and debtors in Bankruptcy and reorganization; counseling businesses in the formation and maintenance of business entities; representing parties to commercial real estate transactions and commercial litigation, arbitrations and mediations since 1970.

Craig has counseled and represented Debtors in Chapter 7 and 13 Bankruptcy cases, Debtors in Possession and creditor committees in Chapter 11 Bankruptcy Reorganizations; and Receivers and Debtors in state court Receiverships. He has successfully reorganized a furniture retailer, a Fixed Base (Airport) Operator, a manufacturer of baby strollers, a food processor's real estate operations and individuals with multiple real estate holdings in Chapter 11 proceedings. He also represents secured and unsecured creditors in all Bankruptcy Chapters. He regularly appears in Bankruptcy Courts in the Western and Eastern Districts of Washington, and has handled matters in state, federal and bankruptcy courts in Washington, Oregon, California, Nevada, Arizona, Georgia, Maryland, Michigan and Illinois.

He represented a major national credit counseling agency in a significant national class wide arbitration based on the Federal Credit Repair Organization Act and other federal and state debt management and consumer protection statutes in the American Arbitration Association. He also has represented clients in arbitrations before Judicial Dispute Resolution, JAMS and private arbitrations and mediations. He serves as an arbitrator under the Mandatory Arbitration Rules in King County Superior Court.

Just one year out of law school, Craig sued the University of Washington's Law School in a reverse discrimination case which went to the United States Supreme Court. *DeFunis v Odegaard*, 416 U.S. 312 (1974). His client, who was admitted to the Law School under a court order, finished law school and became a lawyer. In 2000 and 2001 he was in-house general counsel to a venture capital firm and an "internet incubator."

Mr. Sternberg is a past Chair of the Mandatory Continuing Education Board and a current member of the Continuing Legal Education Committee of the Washington State Bar Association. He was the first editor of the Washington State Bar Association's Creditor/Debtor Section Newsletter and has served on several Bar Association committees. He has been a lecturer in bankruptcy for continuing legal education. Mr. Sternberg was a member of the American Bankruptcy Institute. He is "AV" (highest) rated attorney by Martindale Hubbell.

Mr. Sternberg resides with his wife in Clyde Hill where he has served as a member and Chair of Clyde Hill's Town Planning Commission and Board of Adjustment. He is also active in his community and is a past President of the Washington State Jewish Historical Society, Herzl Ner Tamid Conservative Congregation and has served on and chaired other community organizations.