



## Joseph Went

Partner

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**Joe Went is a trial and appellate lawyer whose practice focuses on commercial litigation and bankruptcy.**

### PRACTICES

Bankruptcy and Restructuring  
Finance

### INDUSTRIES

Financial Institutions

### EDUCATION

University of Minnesota School of Law,  
J.D., 2004  
*cum laude*  
Dean's list  
Royal Stone Academic Merit Scholarship

Brigham Young University, B.A., 2001  
4-year Conoco Academic Merit  
Scholarship

### BAR ADMISSIONS

Nevada

He represents individuals and corporate clients, both large and small, in complex litigation matters in state, federal, and bankruptcy courts involving distressed assets, foreclosure disputes, secured transactions, and probate and trust litigation.

**Results-Driven:** Joe understands that the matters he is entrusted to handle are important to his clients. He works diligently and with a level head, providing reliability and constant communication to his clients throughout the dispute resolution process. His thorough attention to detail leads to intelligent decisions and positive outcomes in contested matters.

### EXPERIENCE

#### Commercial Litigation

- Jury trials
- Bench trials
- Arbitrations
- Mediations
- Administrative proceedings
- Probate court
- Business tort actions
- Secured transactions
- Uniform Commercial Code enforcement
- Landlord-Tenant evictions
- Judgment enforcement and collection
- Fair Credit Reporting Act claims
- Appeals

#### Real Estate

- Disputed claims
- Contract disputes
- Mechanic's lien claims
- Foreclosures

- Escrow litigation

### **Bankruptcy and Creditors' Rights Litigation**

- Collateral valuation evidentiary hearings
- Contested disclosure statement approval hearings
- Plan confirmation battles
- Automatic stay relief
- Negotiation of plan treatment
- Adversary proceedings
- Substantive consolidation proceedings

### **CLIENT RESULTS**

Obtained a multi-million dollar judgment in favor of a regional lender against borrowers involving allegations of lender misconduct.

Successfully enforced secured lender's rights in LLC membership interests.

Defeated plan confirmation proposing adverse treatment for lender's claim.

Navigated complicated lien rights in airplanes and airplane hangars on behalf of secured lenders.

Satisfied a multi-million dollar judgment through contested collection actions.

Obtained judgment against debtors in non-dischargeability actions.

Counsel to lenders for claims alleging Fair Credit Reporting Act violations.

### **RECOGNITION**

- *The Best Lawyers in America*®, Commercial Litigation, 2021-2026
- Mountain States Super Lawyers®, Business Litigation, 2023, 2024
- Mountain States Super Lawyers® Rising Star, 2009
- *Nevada Business Magazine*, Nevada Legal Elite, 2015-2016, 2019-2021

### **PROFESSIONAL AND CIVIC AFFILIATIONS**

- State Bar of Nevada, Member
- Clark County Bar Association, Member
- American Bankruptcy Institute, Member
- Fee Dispute Arbitration Committee, State Bar of Nevada, Member
- Litigation Section, State Bar of Nevada, Member
- Children's Attorney Project, Las Vegas, NV, Volunteer Attorney
- Legal Aid Center of Southern Nevada, February 2009–present

- Eagle Scout