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Overview

Hywel Leonard represents businesses, lenders, and landlords in commercial disputes, complex arbitrations, and in matters involving creditors' rights, bankruptcy, real estate workouts, and foreclosures.

Hywel has been listed in *The Best Lawyers in America, Chambers USA*, and *Florida Trend*'s Florida Legal Elite. He is AV rated by Martindale-Hubbell.

Experience

• *In re Tarpon Lakeside Dev., Inc.,* No. 8:11-bk-17475 (Bankr. M.D. Fla. Dec. 21, 2012). Order denying confirmation of debtor's Chapter 11 bankruptcy plan and dismissing case after contested confirmation hearing.

Areas of Focus

Practices

- Creditors' Rights and Bankruptcy
- Banking, Commercial, and Consumer Finance

Industries

- Banking, Commercial, and Consumer Finance
- Real Estate

- Real Estate
- Litigation and Trials
- Real Property Litigation
- Investment and Ownership
- Lending

News

07.09.2018

Super Lawyers Honors 81 Carlton Fields Attorneys on 2018 Florida "Super Lawyers" and "Rising Stars"

08.15.2017 78 Carlton Fields Attorneys Named "Best Lawyers in America"

06.23.2017 Florida Super Lawyers Ranks 92 Carlton Fields Attorneys as 2017 "Super Lawyers" and "Rising Stars"

Recognition

- AV Rated by Martindale-Hubbell
- *The Best Lawyers in America*, Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law, and Litigation Bankruptcy (2006–2021)
- Florida Super Lawyers, Super Lawyers Magazine (2012, 2014–2023)
- Chambers USA (2010–2011)
- Florida Legal Elite, Florida Trend Magazine (2008, 2011)

Professional & Community Involvement

- American Bar Association
 - Business Law Section
- American Bankruptcy Institute

- The Florida Bar •
 - Real Property, Probate, and Trust Law Section
 - Business Law Section
- Insol
- Tampa Bay Bankruptcy Bar Association

Credentials

Education

- Florida State University College of Law (J.D., high honors, 1979)
 - Order of the Coif
- University of Wales (LL.B., magna cum laude, • 1973)

Bar Admissions

Court Admissions

- U.S. Supreme Court
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Fourth Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Eleventh Circuit
- U.S. District Court, Middle District of Florida
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Florida
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of Florida

• Florida

Background

Practiced as a barrister in Cardiff, Wales (1974–1978) ٠