



Thomas J. Murray

Of Counsel

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During his career, Thomas has built a substantial practice in the areas of banking and securities law, mergers and acquisitions and general corporate law. He has been named in *Best Lawyers* for his work in banking law since 1995 and for corporate law and securities law. He is also listed in *Chambers USA: Guide to America's Leading Business Lawyers* and in the publication *West Virginia Super Lawyers*.

Services

- Corporate & Transactional
- Capital Markets
- Mergers & Acquisitions
- Banking & Financial Services

Education

- Washington and Lee University School of Law (J.D., *cum laude*, 1976)
- Washington and Lee University (1973)

Bar Admissions

- West Virginia

Court Admissions

- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of West Virginia

Affiliations/Memberships

- United Way of the River Cities
 - Board of Directors

- Executive Officer
- Marshall University Artist Series

Distinctions

- West Virginia *Super Lawyers*®
 - Mergers & Acquisitions (2021)
- *Best Lawyers*®
 - "Lawyer of the Year" in Charleston for Financial Services Regulation Law (2012)
 - Banking & Finance Law (2021-2024)
 - Corporate Law (2021-2024)
 - Financial Services Regulation Law (2021-2024)
 - Mergers & Acquisitions Law (2021-2024)
 - Securities/Capital Markets (2021-2024)
 - Securities Regulation (2021-2024)
- *Chambers USA*®: *America's Leading Lawyers for Business*, Corporate/Commercial

Experience

Counseled a Bank Holding Company through a \$33 Million Merger

We represented a client during their purchase of a single location bank located in Charleston, West Virginia. The purchase enabled our client to establish a foothold in the Charleston market. Our services included preparation of the merger agreement; structuring transaction and proxy statements to comply with applicable Nasdaq rules governing transactions in which issuer affiliates have material interest in target; preparation and filing of bank regulatory applications (or obtaining exemptions therefrom); preparation and processing of SEC registration statement for securities offered in transaction and 1934 Act filings of issuer and affiliates.

Lead counsel in acquisition of financial institution

Thomas J. Murray served as lead counsel in Premier Financial Bancorp's acquisition of a central West Virginia based bank.

Lead counsel in acquisition of food company

Thomas J. Murray and Daniel J. Konrad served as lead counsel to target in its acquisition by national food company in a merger involving significant federal securities law and anti-trust aspects.

Lead counsel in acquisition of newspaper company

Thomas J. Murray served as lead counsel in a West Virginia based public company's \$80,000,000 acquisition of a newspaper company and as lead counsel in obtaining a related credit facility.

Lead counsel in acquisition of troubled bank holding company

Thomas J. Murray served as Issuer/Acquirer lead counsel in Premier Financial Bancorp, Inc.'s SEC registration and issuance of common stock and connected private placement of TARP preferred stock to assist in capitalizing the interstate acquisition of a troubled bank holding company.

Lead counsel in complex debtor situation

Thomas J. Murray served as lead counsel to a public company in workout of defaulted \$70,000,000 credit facility involving multiple subsidiary spin-offs, asset dispositions, forbearance agreements, warrant issuances and shareholder authorization of reverse stock-split for a public company debtor.

Lead counsel in multiple bank acquisition

Thomas J. Murray and Daniel J. Konrad served as acquirer/issuer lead counsel in Premier Financial Bancorp, Inc.'s acquisition of two separate West Virginia banks in SEC registered offerings.

Lead counsel to financial institution in multiple mergers and acquisitions

Thomas J. Murray served as lead counsel in Premier Financial Bancorp, Inc.'s affiliate mergers of bank subsidiaries in West Virginia, District of Columbia, Virginia, Kentucky and Ohio with overall legal and compliance responsibility for effecting subsidiary mergers and qualifications in all jurisdictions.