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Practice Areas

Appellate

Bankruptcy & Financial
Restructuring

Litigation

Media & First Amendment

Admissions

Wisconsin

Education

Juris Doctor, Georgetown
University Law Center

Brady Williamson is a constitutional and corporate litigator who has taught periodically at the University of Wisconsin Law School for more than three decades. He has successfully represented clients in the U.S. Supreme Court, and he often appears in the federal and state appellate courts on constitutional issues. Since October 2017, he has continued to serve as the court-appointed fee examiner in the \$120 billion PROMESA reorganization proceedings for the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

In 2023, he taught a new course, "Courts and Constitutions," at the University of California-Berkeley that combined U.S. constitutional law, state constitutional law, and a sampling of constitutions in other countries. He also continued his pro bono litigation and student collaboration project with the Media Freedom & Information Access Clinic at Yale University Law School.

He has long been involved in constitutional and election law projects in West Africa, Iraq, Southern Sudan, Egypt and Bangladesh, traveling frequently to work with the committees drafting new national and regional constitutions. His pro bono constitutional work has been sponsored by the National Democratic Institute for International Affairs, a nonprofit organization working to strengthen democracy world-wide.

In the United States, Brady's legal practice also focuses on appellate advocacy and corporate law and reorganization. He has argued and won a U.S. Supreme Court case that addressed the relationship between federal and state law, and he has litigated a wide range of Equal Protection, Due Process and First Amendment cases including several media defamation cases in 2020.

Brady is a member of the National Bankruptcy Conference, whose membership is limited to academics, judges, and practitioners with a focus on bankruptcy law. He is also a member of the American Bankruptcy Institute and the American College of Bankruptcy and, beginning in 2020, a contributing editor to *Collier on Bankruptcy*, the leading bankruptcy treatise. He has served on several public advisory committees to help evaluate federal judicial nominees. In 1996, Brady was appointed by the President of the United States to chair the National Bankruptcy Review Commission, which submitted its comprehensive recommendations to Congress, the Chief Justice and the President.

In 2009, the U.S. Bankruptcy Court in New York appointed him an examiner in the General Motors reorganization cases. Since then, the firm and Brady also have served as counsel to the Fee Committee in the Lehman Brothers Chapter 11 proceedings and the Fee Committee in the Energy Future Corp. proceedings, along with more recent cases in Delaware.

Court Admissions

United States Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit
United States Court of Appeals, D.C. Circuit
United States District Court, Eastern District of Wisconsin
United States District Court, Western District of Wisconsin
United States Supreme Court

Activities

University of Wisconsin Law School and College of Letters and Science (2021) - Lecturer
Environmental Law and Policy Center - Board Member
William T. Evjue Charitable Trust - Trustee

Honors

Recipient of the University of Wisconsin Law School's Warren H. Stolper Award, recognizing excellence in teaching and a commitment to the law school

Recognized as a *Wisconsin Super Lawyer* (2005 - 2012, 2014 - 2022)

Listed in *Best Lawyers in America* (Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law, First Amendment, Litigation - Bankruptcy, Litigation - First Amendment, 1993 - present; Litigation - First Amendment "Lawyer of the Year", 2025)

Recognized by *Chambers USA* (General Commercial Litigation)