



**PRACTICE FOCUS**

Frances “Franny” Wilburn is a commercial litigator and bankruptcy attorney who represents national and community based lenders, real estate owners and property managers. Acclaimed for her skill and clarity in and out of court, Ms. Wilburn applies her knowledge and experience to assisting clients in a broad variety of practice areas such as secured transactions, property dispositions, workout agreements, foreclosures, creditors’ rights, commercial leasing, bankruptcy and general commercial matters. With this background, she effectively advocates on behalf of her clients in all stages of litigation and the enforcement of commercial loan and lease remedies. Additionally, Ms. Wilburn has experience handling transactional matters for financial institutions with a focus on loan transactions secured by real property and for real estate owners with a focus on leasing.

Ms. Wilburn frequently manages multi-million dollar claims but also offers the same level of assistance for litigation matters of all sizes. As a first-chair trial lawyer with extensive courtroom experience, Ms. Wilburn has won recognition from clients and colleagues alike. Her clients trust her to handle sensitive, high-value claims and transactions and they rely on her pragmatic guidance to solve contentious, multi-party disputes.

**POINTS OF DISTINCTION**

- Extensive trial experience appearing in courts in various jurisdictions for hundreds of cases.
- Routinely performs transactional leasing work for both private and publicly traded companies throughout the United States.
- Represents financial institutions and lenders in connection with the enforcement of loan remedies including foreclosures, bankruptcy, deed in lieu transactions and workout agreements.
- Presenter - IREM Trending Topics in Landlord & Tenant law - Washington, D.C.
- Ms. Wilburn has been recognized by Maryland Super Lawyers, a rating service of outstanding lawyers from more than 70 practice areas who have attained a high degree of peer recognition and professional achievement, naming her to their Rising Stars list.

**PREVIOUS WORK**

Prior to joining Offit Kurman, Franny practiced commercial litigation at a renowned Washington, D.C. firm, where she routinely acted as lead associate in commercial litigation cases throughout the country. In law school, Franny served as a legal intern for a large publicly traded construction company focusing on infrastructure construction projects across the United States. In that capacity, she served as part of the in-house legal department and assisted with national litigation matters involving construction law. She also interned at the Miami-Dade State Attorney’s Office for the Felony Division Chief, where she gained daily courtroom experience.

**EDUCATION**

- J.D., University of Miami, School of Law, 2007
- B.A., Emory University, 2004

**ADMISSIONS**

- Maryland
- Virginia
- District of Columbia
- U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia
- U.S. District Court for the District of Maryland
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia
- U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Virginia

**AWARDS**



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**PRACTICE AREAS**

- Banking and Finance
- Bankruptcy Litigation
- Commercial Litigation
- Creditors’ Rights, Reorganization and Bankruptcy
- Distressed Real Estate
- Landlord Representation
- Real Estate Litigation And Title Claims Litigation

