



# Joseph W. Ritter

## Associate

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## Overview

Joseph "Joe" Ritter handles complex commercial litigation matters. He advises businesses in complex commercial disputes and litigation in the state and federal courts in New Jersey. Joe conducts discovery and drafts motions and briefs. He also assists clients in internal investigations and enforcement actions.

Joe is actively involved in pro bono matters. He regularly acts as a court-appointed representative of allegedly incapacitated persons in guardianship proceedings in New Jersey.

Joe was a summer associate with Day Pitney in 2019. Prior to joining Day Pitney, he served as a legal intern in the New Jersey Office of the Attorney General, Consumer Fraud Prosecution Section, where he assisted in investigations and litigation pertaining to the New Jersey Consumer Fraud Act.

## Experience

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Represented Financial Services Firm in week-long arbitration with allegations of violations of certain FINRA rules; all claims were dismissed against Firm

Represented a national retailer before the New Jersey Superior Court, Appellate Division; on appeal, successfully argued the improper use of an outdated jury charge that inappropriately raised the standard of liability, and the Appellate Division reversed the liability determination and granted a new trial on that subject

Represented large energy utilities in multiple class action lawsuits in federal courts alleging improper collection of tax gross-up. Successfully argued that the federal courts lacked subject matter jurisdiction to consider the sought-after relief on particular questions of federal tax and that no supplemental jurisdiction existed over remaining state law claims. All claims were dismissed against energy utilities in all jurisdictions that the cases were brought, and all appeals were denied

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# Education and Credentials

## Education

The George Washington University Law School, J.D.

Lafayette College, B.A., *magna cum laude*, Honors in Government and Law, Paul Tully Memorial Prize Recipient, Pi Sigma Alpha

## Admissions

State of New Jersey

U.S. District Court, District of New Jersey

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit

U.S. Supreme Court

## Affiliations

New Jersey State Bar Association

American Bar Association

Association of the Federal Bar of New Jersey

Morris County Bar Association

Worrall F. Mountain Inn of Court

# Insights

The PGA Tour-PIF Framework Agreement: Where Does it Stand?

May 15, 2024

New Jersey Federal Civil Procedure

December 22, 2022

Preview of Coming Attractions on Corporate Criminal Enforcement

December 5, 2022

# News

Day Pitney Welcomes Fifteen First-Year Associates

January 25, 2021

# In The Media

New Hires at Day Pitney's NJ Office On State's Opportunities

Law360 Pulse, January 27, 2021

