

TRUSTEE SPOTLIGHT

Wendell Webster Washington, DC



Wendell Webster has 30 years of experience as a private practice bankruptcy lawyer, including 14 years as a Chapter 7 panel trustee.

Like so many others, Wendell Webster, of Webster, Fredrickson, Correia & Puth, PLLC, didn't set out to be a bankruptcy attorney, when he graduated from Harvard Law School.

"I must say that bankruptcy law was not my first choice as a young, ambitious, but inexperienced, associate attorney entering a major corporate firm," Wendell says. "I was drafted by the senior partner to be the firm's 'bankruptcy expert.' When I confessed my lack of real bankruptcy experience, I was told I had more bankruptcy experience than anyone else in the firm, and that if someone wanted to make me an expert, I should keep my mouth shut. So I became the firm's 'bankruptcy expert.'"

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Wendell stayed in the field of bankruptcy because he found the work to be very rewarding.

"Over the years, we have successfully liquidated a female halfway house for federal prisoners, a communications company with offices and equipment located throughout the United States, and a small hotel," Wendell says. "I find the operation of businesses, together with the negotiation and sale of business assets, to be far more challenging and exciting than the more traditional practice of law."

The BMS Advantage

Wendell has used the BMS software solution since he became a Chapter 7 trustee 14 years ago. "I can think of one word to describe

my experience with BMS: exceptional," Wendell says. "BMS has maintained a personal and supportive relationship with me and the members of my staff. Most important of all, we know that we can call on BMS anytime day or night and that no problem is too small to ask for their help."

Wendell also credits the software for helping him to effectively administrate even the largest of cases. "In one case, the BMS software enabled us to identify, track and monitor more than 500 claims totaling over \$20 million, and to conduct banking transactions for 37 individual accounts. The efficiency and flexibility of the BMS software was critical in helping us successfully liquidate the assets."

On a Personal Note

When Wendell is not working, he enjoys spending time with his children, including visiting his oldest daughter in college, watching his youngest daughter play soccer or participating in boy scout activities with his son.

"Most of my friends would be surprised to learn that I have become a full-time single parent at this stage of my life," Wendell says. "My greatest challenge is balancing my law firm and trustee practice with raising my children as a single parent. But my greatest reward comes from watching my children grow and mature everyday."