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Attorney Warren J. Ford III is a litigation and transactional attorney, who represents creditors, banks, and business leaders in civil and commercial litigation, out-of-court workouts, and Chapter 7, 11, and 13 bankruptcy proceedings, including adversary proceedings. Warren also routinely assist clients with complex business transactions and asset acquisitions. As a former consumer bankruptcy attorney, Warren possesses a unique perspective which helps him identify his clients legal and business problems, so he can provide sound, cost effective solutions and mitigation of financial risk.

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### **Education:**

University of Nebraska College of Law Lincoln, NE, Juris Doctor, May 2011

- Ann Freese Lowe Memorial Scholar, Merle & Frances Jones Scholar, Keating Textbook Scholar and Paul D. Brunner Memorial Scholar
- CALI Award in American Foreign Affairs Law & Policy Seminar
- Grether Moot Court Competition; Client Counseling Competition, Semifinalist
- Black Law Student Assoc., 1L Representative
- Big Brother/Big Sister Program
- Delta Theta Phi
- Clerk of the Exchequer
- Robert Van Pelt American Inn of Court

Creighton University, Omaha, NE, Bachelor of Arts, Political Science, 2008

- Memorial and Ignatian Scholarship Recipient
- Dean's List

### **Bar Admissions:**

- Colorado, Nebraska, and Iowa
- United States District Court for the District of Colorado
- United States District Court for the District of Nebraska
- United States District Court for the Southern District of Iowa

### **Employment:**

Goosmann Law Firm: Omaha, Nebraska

**Partner, 2022 to Present**

**Senior Associate Attorney, 2019 to 2022**

- Routinely represents businesses and financial institutions in commercial litigation and bankruptcy proceedings regarding creditor rights and default loan services. Clients include: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. and Columbus United Federal Credit Union.
- Civil and commercial litigation for creditors and debtors in collection lawsuits, debt workouts, and alternative dispute resolutions.
- Represents insolvent small and large businesses in Chapter 11 Reorganizations and Chapter 7 Liquidations.
- Occasionally represents consumers in Chapter 7 and 13 bankruptcy proceedings.
- Represents businesses in small and complex business transactions.

Skrupa Law Office, LLC: Omaha, Nebraska

**Senior Associate Attorney, 2012 – 2019**

- Represented over 2,000 Debtors and Creditors in all aspects of Chapter 7 and 13 Bankruptcy proceedings from initial consultations to the conclusion of their case.
- Prepared and argued briefs and motions before the U.S. Bankruptcy Court; Attended Meeting of Creditors.
- Negotiated debt settlements for Debtors; Collected debts for Creditors through alternative dispute resolution and civil litigation in state courts

Koley Jessen P.C., LLO: Omaha, NE

**Project Associate Attorney, 2011**

- Worked in collaboration with Jones Day law firm on a complicated document review and analysis project to assist a publicly traded company in responding to an investigation initiated by the Antitrust Division of the U.S. Department of Justice.

University of Nebraska – Civil Clinic: Lincoln, NE

**Certified Senior Law Student, 2011**

- Worked as lead counsel for a variety of civil cases; Negotiated with opposing counsel.
- Prepared and argued pretrial motions; Participated in hearings and trials before the County and District Courts of Lancaster County and Nebraska Administrative Courts.
- Drafted pleadings, motions, briefs and settlement agreements

Nebraska Attorney General's Office: Lincoln, NE

**Law Clerk, 2010**

- Assisted attorneys with discovery, trial strategy and trial preparation.
- Drafted pleadings, motions and briefs.
- Conducted legal research; Drafted legal memoranda.
- Offer extended to come back.

Nebraska Appleseed: Lincoln, NE

**Law Clerk, 2009-2010**

- Provided legal assistance for low-income clients.
- Conducted legal research; Drafted legal memoranda;
- Wrote legislative policy briefs and participated in outreach events to extend health care coverage for Nebraska children.

**Professional Organizations:**

- American Bankruptcy Institute (ABI)
  - Consumer Bankruptcy Committee

- Young and New Member Committee
- Colorado Bar Association
- Nebraska Bar Association
  - Banking Section- Member of Executive Committee
  - Bankruptcy Section - Treasurer
- Iowa Bar Association
  - Young Lawyers Division
- NAMWOLF
  - Financial Service Litigation PAC

**Professional Achievements:**

- 2025 Best Lawyers
  - Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law
- 2024 Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch - Litigation
  - Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law
  - Litigation - Banking and Finance
- 2023 Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch - Litigation - Banking and Finance
- 2023 Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch - Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency
- 2022 American Bankruptcy Institute: 40 Under 40 - Emerging Leaders in Insolvency Practice
- 2022-2024 Super Lawyers: Great Plains Rising Stars
- 2022 Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch - Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law
- 2021 Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch - Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law

