

## Judge, United States Court of Appeals, Third Circuit



**Thomas L. Ambro** is a Judge on the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit. Prior to becoming a Judge in 2000, he was a member of the law firm of Richards, Layton & Finger, Wilmington, Delaware, where he was the head of its Bankruptcy Group and involved in many of the most significant reorganizations in the 1990s. Judge Ambro joined the firm in 1976 after a judicial clerkship with Delaware Supreme Court Chief Justice Daniel L. Herrmann. On the Third Circuit, Judge Ambro has authored over 1,000 opinions, many of which relate to bankruptcy and reorganization issues.

Judge Ambro is a past Chair of the Section of Business Law of the American Bar Association and past Editor of *The Business Lawyer*. He also is a past member of the Board of Trustees of the American Inns of Court Foundation, and in Delaware he is a past President of the Richard S. Rodney Inn of Court and a former Co-Chair of the Collins J. Seitz Bankruptcy Inn of Court. Within the Delaware State Bar Association, Judge Ambro is a former Chair of the Commercial Law Section and for 20 years chaired that Section's Committee on the Uniform Commercial Code. He currently is a member of the American Law Institute, the American College of Bankruptcy, and the National Bankruptcy Conference, where he served on its Executive Committee.

Judge Ambro is a member of the Third Circuit Judicial Council, the chair of its Budget Committee, and a member of several committees, including the Bankruptcy Judges Committee and the Automation and Technology Committee. At the national level, he is a member of the Judicial Conference's Committee on the Judicial Branch.

Judge Ambro has published numerous articles and lectured frequently throughout the country, including on bankruptcy and reorganization matters. Most recently, Judge Ambro delivered the inaugural King-Seligson Lecture on Bankruptcy and Corporate Reorganization, named after two renowned, deceased NYU law scholars—Professor Lawrence King, the former Editor-in-Chief of *Collier on Bankruptcy* (the principal treatise on bankruptcy law), and Professor Charles Seligson, a preeminent academic of his era on bankruptcy and creditors' rights. Judge Ambro graduated from Georgetown University's College in 1971 (Class of 1972) and from the Georgetown University Law Center in 1975.

