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Eric Mazie is recognized as one of the nation's leaders on the use of trusts in commercial transactions. His practice focuses on representing issuers, investors, arrangers, underwriters, credit enhancers, and other entities in a wide variety of transactional matters, with particular emphasis on transactions involving the use of common law and statutory trusts.

Chambers notes that Eric is "one of the foremost experts in Delaware trust law" (*Chambers USA*, 2018). For more than 30 years Eric has represented banks and trust companies who act as indenture trustee, owner trustee, fiscal agent, collateral agent custodian, and in other representative capacities in all types of commercial transactions. Eric has acted as Delaware counsel on a wide range of commercial transactions, including public and private offerings and off-shore and cross-border transactions. He has also acted as Delaware counsel in connection with the formation and operation of public and private mutual funds, exchange-traded funds, and real estate investment trusts.

Eric has played a pivotal role in the development of statutory trust law and the creation of numerous transactional structures or techniques that are widely used in the public and private capital markets. He is actively involved in the organization, structuring, and operation of grantor trusts, owner trusts, master trusts, series trusts, titling trusts, liquidating trusts, investment funds, and real estate investment trusts in transactions such as securitizations, derivatives, leveraged leases, mutual funds, hybrid capital securities, covered bonds, debt restructurings, and workouts.

Eric has written numerous texts and articles on the use of trusts and the role of trustees.

Experience

- All types of asset-backed securities, including credit card, residential and commercial mortgage, auto loans and leases, student loans, insurance policies, litigation settlements and intellectual property

- Mutual funds and exchange traded funds
- Tender option bonds
- Covered bonds
- Liquidating trusts
- Hybrid capital securities
- Equipment leases
- Collateralized debt and loan obligations

Publications

- "A Baker's Dozen - 13 Defensive Takeover Measures Available to Closed-End Investment Companies Organized as Delaware Statutory Trusts," *The Investment Lawyer*, November 2010
- "Delaware Series Trusts - Separate but Not Equal," *The Investment Lawyer*, February 2009

Awards

- *Chambers USA*
- *The Best Lawyers in America*
- *The Best Lawyers in America*, Wilmington, DE Securitization and Structured Finance Law Lawyer of the Year, 2017

Leadership

- Delaware State Bar Association, Statutory Trust Committee, Chair, 1988 - present

Education

- J.D., College of William & Mary School of Law, 1984
- B.S., with honors, Drexel University, 1981

Admitted to Practice

- Delaware, 1984

Pro Bono Activities

- Director, Westover Hills Homeowners Association
- Director, Greenville Country Club

Practices

- Corporate Trust and Agency Services