



# **Prince Altee Thomas**

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An established bankruptcy attorney, Prince has developed both a transactional and litigation practice. His dual experience in these areas allows him to effectively counsel clients on the full scope of their financial issues.

Prince represents creditors in Chapter 7, 11 and 13 cases and is particularly known for his Chapter 7 volunteer work on behalf of indigent consumer debtors. Additionally, he has handled bankruptcy matters across a variety of industries including banking, merchant credit card processing, student loans, commercial leases and taxes, among others.

Prince's practice involves:

- · Debtors' and creditors' rights
- Bankruptcy
- State court receiverships
- Assignments for the benefit of creditors
- · Proofs of claims and claims objections
- Merchant service agreement disputes
- · Representation of individuals and businesses with federal, state, and local tax compliance issues
- School district tax claims in bankruptcy
- Representation of student loan lenders and guarantors
- · Representation of commercial and real estate lessors and title insurance company claims in bankruptcy
- Civil and commercial litigation

Prince also serves as co-chair of the firm's Diversity Committee.

#### **Services**

Financial Restructuring & Bankruptcy

## **Before Fox Rothschild**

Prince supervised the Eastern Regional Office of the Pennsylvania Attorney General's Financial Enforcement Section, where he served as lead attorney in enforcing claims of state agencies in state and federal courts against debtors for breach of state contracts or nonpayment of state taxes.

## **Beyond Fox Rothschild**

Prince writes and lectures frequently about debtors' and creditors' rights issues. He provides *pro bono* services to and serves as a board member of the Consumer Bankruptcy Assistance Project, which provides bankruptcy counseling to the indigent.

Prince is also an executive board member of the Philadelphia Diversity Law Group (PDLG) and a past treasurer and former executive board member of the Barristers Association of Philadelphia. He formerly chaired the Minority Outreach Committee of the Eastern District of Pennsylvania's Bankruptcy Conference, was a past chair of the Minority Bar Committee (MBC) of the Pennsylvania Bar Association and a past co-chair of the MBC Community Outreach Subcommittee. In addition, Prince served two terms as a board member of the Pennsylvania Bar Institute and was a board member of the Pennsylvania Bar Foundation, the charitable arm of the Pennsylvania Bar Association. He is also a Zone One Delegate of the Pennsylvania Bar Association House of Delegates.

#### **Bar Admissions**

Pennsylvania

## **Court Admissions**

- U.S. Supreme Court
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Third Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Fourth Circuit
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Pennsylvania
- U.S. District Court, Middle District of Pennsylvania

## **Education**

- Temple University School of Law (J.D., 1976)
- Temple University (Ed.M., 1968)
- Berea College, Berea, Kentucky (B.A., 1966)

## **Memberships**

- American Bar Association
- American Bankruptcy Institute
- Pennsylvania Bar Association
- Pennsylvania Bar Association House of Delegates
- Philadelphia Bar Association
- Barristers Association of Philadelphia
- Eastern District of Pennsylvania Bankruptcy Conference

## **Board of Directors**

- Consumer Bankruptcy Assistance Project
- Philadelphia Diversity Law Group

#### **Honors & Awards**

- Recipient of the Philadelphia Bar Association's A. Leon Higginbotham Jr. Lifetime Achievement Award (2019)
- Recipient of the Temple BLSA Professional Mentor of the Year Award (2018)
- Recipient of the Philadelphia Bar Association's Albert S. Dandridge III Diversity Award (2016)
- Recipient of The Legal Intelligencer's Lifetime Achievement Award (2016)
- Recipient of the Barristers' Association of Philadelphia, Inc.'s J. Austin Norris Award (2015)
- Recipient of the Special Achievement Award from the Pennsylvania Bar Association for his work with the "You and the Law" community outreach programs (2012)
- Named in the Barristers' list of 60 as a Top African American Lawyer in Philadelphia by *Tribune Magazine* (2011)
- · Named as one of The Philadelphia Legal Intelligencer's 2009 Diversity Attorneys of the Year

- Recipient of the Special Achievement Award from the Pennsylvania Bar Association for his work as chair of the Minority Bar Committee (2008)
- Recipient of the Special Achievement Award from the Pennsylvania Bar Association for his role in planning the association's first Diversity Summit (2007)
- Award for outstanding service, Consumer Bankruptcy Assistance Project, 2001 and 2005