

# COLTEN LEWIS FLEU

## EXPERIENCE

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**Mountain State Justice, Inc., Morgantown, West Virginia**  
Senior Attorney

2022 through Present

- Litigates class action and impact cases to protect tenants in manufactured housing communities from steep rent increases and to require landlords to maintain communities in a safe and habitable condition.
- Litigates individual consumer protection cases including mortgage fraud, FCRA, FDCPA, TILA, RESPA, and West Virginia Consumer Act claims.
- Represents consumers in bankruptcy cases when required to ensure housing stability.
- Leads outside groups of advocates to strategize both litigation and legislative solutions to problems of housing insecurity which plague low-income consumers.

**Community Legal Aid Society, Inc., Wilmington, Delaware**  
Staff Attorney

2019 through 2022

- Maintained an active litigation practice focusing on issues arising in manufactured housing communities focusing on lot rent increases and discriminatory rule changes.
- Litigated cases under a Victims of Crime Act grant holding accountable those that financially exploited consumers over the age of sixty.
- Successfully tried multiple cases to verdict in Justice of the Peace Court, Superior Court, and statutory arbitrations.
- Registered lobbyist working toward statutory reforms in a number of areas including tenant rights, manufactured housing, and consumer law.

**Mountain State Justice, Inc., Morgantown, West Virginia**  
Staff Attorney

2012 through 2019

- Maintained an active litigation practice focusing on state and federal consumer lawsuits including mortgage fraud, FCRA, FDCPA, TILA, RESPA, and West Virginia Consumer Act claims.
- Tried multiple cases to verdict including jury trials, arbitrations, and bench trials.
- Lead counsel in two class actions, one of which was certified and resulted in a million-dollar settlement.
- Developed a consumer bankruptcy practice providing strategic Chapter 13 representation to clients;
- Maintained an appellate practice advocating for consumer rights with a particular focus on enforceability of arbitration provisions.
- Selected as 2017 Super Lawyers Rising Star (West Virginia), Consumer Law.

**Krekeler Strother, S.C., Madison, Wisconsin**  
Associate Attorney

2009 through 2012

- Primarily represented small business owners and consumers in sophisticated debtor-related bankruptcy and insolvency matters, including reorganizations and federal tax matters;
- Represented family farmers in Chapter 12 reorganizations.
- Represented debtors regarding asset protection issues and clients in civil litigation, including complex commercial litigation, contract matters, foreclosure defense, and prosecution of mortgage broker fraud claims, Wisconsin Consumer Act, and FDCPA claims;
- Served as a legal team coordinator in a complex matter requiring the coordination of bankruptcy counsel, criminal defense counsel, accountants, and tax professionals.

## **BAR ADMISSIONS**

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Kentucky Bar Association (October 2007)  
U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Kentucky (April 2008)  
State Bar of Wisconsin (February 2009) (Retired 2014)  
U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Wisconsin (May 2009)  
U.S. District Court, Western District of Wisconsin (May 2009)  
West Virginia State Bar (January 2013)  
U.S. District Court, Northern District of West Virginia (January 2013)  
U.S. District Court, Southern District of West Virginia (January 2013)  
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit (April 2015)

## **PRESENTATIONS/HONORS**

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Presenter, *Representing Mobile Homeowners*, Committee on Regional Training (CORT) 2025 Consumer Law Training, April 18, 2025.

Presenter, *Representing Owners of Manufactured Homes*, NCLC 2024 Consumer Rights Litigation Conference, October 25, 2024.

Presenter, *How to Get Documents and Information Needed for My Mortgage Litigation Case*, NCLC Summer Mortgage Conference, May 30, 2024.

Presenter, *Representing Homeowners in Manufactured Housing*, NCLC 24th Consumer Rights Litigation Conference, November 14, 2015.

Presenter, *Bankruptcy for Beginners Intensive*, NCLC 24th Consumer Rights Litigation Conference, November 14-15, 2015.

Presenter, *Foreclosure Workouts & Foreclosure Ethics*. National Business Institute, July 10, 2012.

## **EDUCATION**

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**University of Kentucky College of Law**  
*Juris Doctor*, 2007

**Transylvania University**  
*Bachelor of Arts (Philosophy)*, 2001