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# PRACTICE AREAS

- Bankruptcy and Restructuring
- Commercial Litigation

# **EDUCATION**

- University of Central Oklahoma (B.A., 1994)
- Oklahoma City University School of Law (J.D., 1998)

#### **ADMISSIONS**

- 1998, Oklahoma
- 1998, Federal District Court, Western District of Oklahoma
- 1998, Federal District Court, Northern District of Oklahoma
- 1998, Federal District Court, Eastern District of Oklahoma
- 1998, United States Bankruptcy Court, Western District of Oklahoma
- 1998, United States Bankruptcy Court, Northern District of Oklahoma
- 1998, United States Bankruptcy Court, Eastern District of Oklahoma

## BIOGRAPHY

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Gretchen brings over 15 years' experience in creditor representation to the table, assisting local lenders as well as national creditors including Bank of America, Wells Fargo, Vanderbilt Mortgage & Finance, and 21st Mortgage Corporation. Gretchen has been active in local consumer collection groups over the course of her career, and has a published bankruptcy opinion to her credit. In re: Dennis, BK CT. W,D. OK, 206 B.R. 793 (2002).

Prior to joining Phillips Murrah as an Associate Attorney, Gretchen began her career with a local collection law firm and then moved to an in-house position with one of the nation's largest lenders.

Gretchen is married with one child. She was born in St. Charles, Missouri but has been a "native" Oklahoman since 1986. A graduate of a local high school, she went on to receive her undergraduate degree from the University of Central Oklahoma and her J.D. from Oklahoma City University.

#### **EXPERIENCE**

- Represented banks and other lending institutions in foreclosure, bankruptcy, collections, and replevin cases on a statewide basis
- Experienced with personal injury and probate matters
- Participated in Federal Court defense of lawyers as well as defense of claims of violation of the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act

#### RECOGNITION

• Best Lawyers®: Commercial Litigation (2021)

#### PUBLICATIONS

- What is the status of evictions and foreclosures in Oklahoma amidst the COVID 19 pandemic?
- <u>Relief for the uphill battle faced by creditors in bankruptcy</u>
- NewsOK Q&A: Laws allow for various contingencies in dealing with bankrupt companies

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- Firm selects January Employee of the Month
- Firm hosts Halloween Party to raise money for Harvest Food Drive
- Bankruptcy issues from the creditor perspective
- NewsOK Q&A: Healthcare providers can use Oklahoma's unclaimed property fund to collect on unpaid bills