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Thomas J. Monroe is Of Counsel to the Banking and Commercial Lending Practice Group at Certilman Balin. He has provided counsel and litigated matters for some of the nation's largest financial institutions and corporations.

Prior to joining the firm, Mr. Monroe was an associate at two prominent law firms in New Jersey. For the past 14 years, he has concentrated his practice in the areas of complex civil litigation, trust and estate litigation and administration. He has also represented small businesses, family businesses and individuals.

In addition to having appeared as lead trial counsel in numerous jury and bench trials before the New Jersey Superior Court, Mr. Monroe has appeared before the New Jersey Superior Court, Appellate Division; the United States District Court, District of New Jersey; the United States Bankruptcy Court; the United States District Court, Southern District of New York (pro hac vice); and the United States District Court, Eastern District of New York (pro hac vice).

Mr. Monroe served a tour of duty in the United States Marine Corps from 1988 until 1992. A non-commissioned officer, he attained the rank of Corporal and was awarded the Navy Achievement Medal for professional achievement.

After his honorable discharge, Mr. Monroe earned his undergraduate degree in English from Seton Hall University in 1996 and his Juris Doctor from Seton Hall University School of Law in 2000. He was honored with the Center for Social Justice Pro Bono Service Program Award. During his college years, Mr. Monroe helped run a small family business and, after graduating law school, served as a Law Clerk to The Honorable Mark A. Sullivan, Jr. (ret.) in Monmouth County, New Jersey.

He serves on the Seton Hall Alumni Association Board of Directors and is a manager with the Verona Baseball and Softball League.

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