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## Attorney Profile: Joseph E. Kluger, Esq.

"We work through our clients' problems and find a solution."

**Areas of Concentration:** Business Law • Banking & Finance • Corporate Law  
• Real Estate & Zoning • Wills & Trusts • Estate Planning & Administration

Attorney Joseph E. Kluger is one of two Managing Partners of Hourigan, Kluger & Quinn. Having earned a reputation over the past 30+ years as one of the most capable business lawyers in Northeastern Pennsylvania, he concentrates in real estate, estate planning/estate administration, corporate and banking/financing law.

Attorney Kluger represents a vast majority of the lending institutions in and around Luzerne, Lackawanna and surrounding counties, as well as some of the largest manufacturers, residential and commercial developers and educational institutions. His practice in estate planning/estate administration includes structuring the simplest to the very complex estate plans for his individual, elderly and corporate clients as well as working through Pennsylvania inheritance and federal estate tax returns and litigation for decedents and their families.

Currently, Attorney Kluger serves as Chairman of the Board of Luzerne Bank and was the Vice Chairman of the Board of Penns Woods Bancorp, as well as a Regional Board of Director for Mellon Bank, N.A. He has served as lead counsel on real estate and financing matters in excess of \$250,000,000, corporate sales in excess of \$100,000,000, and multi-state workouts of national companies.

Attorney Kluger serves as a member of the Board of Trustees and legal counsel to King's College and Wyoming Seminary College Preparatory School and has been solicitor for Luzerne County Community College for more than 3 decades.

A Pennsylvania Super Lawyer as designated by Super Lawyers Magazine, Attorney Kluger has been awarded the highest peer-review rating for ethical standards and professional ability by Martindale-Hubbell for more than 16 years. In addition, U.S. News & World Report has named HKQ Law, to its list of "Best Law Firms in America" for banking and finance law with a "Tier 1" listing for Northeastern Pennsylvania and the Lehigh Valley.

In addition to serving on the boards of banks, corporations and educational institutions, Attorney Kluger served as the Chairman of the Board of the Greater Wilkes-Barre Development Corporation, a member of the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of the Greater Wilkes-Barre Chamber of Business and Industry and Vice Chair of the Board of Directors of the Luzerne Foundation.

Attorney Kluger is also admitted to practice law in New York, England and Wales, is a former Assistant District Attorney and was previously an adjunct professor for the American Institute of Banking.

### LEGAL EXPERIENCE

- Hourigan, Kluger & Quinn, 1989-Present
- Managing Principal, member of Business Team with emphasis on Creditor's Rights, Corporate, Business and Finance, Estate Planning/Probate/Trust & Real Estate Law

### EDUCATION

- Catholic University of America Columbus School of Law, Juris Doctor
- Hamilton College, Bachelor of Science in Government
- Wyoming Seminary College Preparatory School

### PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Admitted for Practice:

- United States Supreme Court
- Supreme Court of Pennsylvania
- Superior Court of Pennsylvania
- Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania
- Pennsylvania Courts of Common Pleas
- United States District Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania
- United States Bankruptcy Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania
- New York State Courts
- Role for England and Wales

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