

## Brandon C. Prosansky

### Associate

Brandon practices in the area of commercial civil litigation. Brandon's practice includes representing automobile manufacturers in franchise-related disputes. His experience also includes both plaintiff and defense matters based on contract, professional liability, breach of fiduciary duty, and fraud, and representing banks in commercial mortgage foreclosure and mechanics lien litigation. Brandon regularly practices in both state and federal courts and administrative agencies across the country. He also enjoys providing pro bono legal assistance to people seeking asylum.

During law school, Brandon served as a judicial extern for the Honorable Geraldine Soat Brown, U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois.

Prior to attending law school, Brandon worked for three years as a cost and budget analyst for Procter & Gamble in Cincinnati, Ohio.

### Representative Clients

- Audi of America
- Automobili Lamborghini America
- Bank of America
- Volkswagen Group of America
- Volvo Cars

### Representative Matters

- Beechmont Audi, Inc. v. Audi of America, Inc.  
Represented Audi in Ohio federal court action alleging price discrimination under the Robinson-Patman Act, the federal Automobile Dealers Day in Court Act, and the Ohio Motor Vehicle Franchise Act. Matter successfully resolved.
- Legend Autorama Ltd. v. Audi of America, Inc.  
Represent Audi in New York state court action for damages and injunctive relief arising out of establishment of new dealership in West Islip, New York. Matter pending.



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### Practices

- Automotive Group
- Litigation

### Education

- Northwestern University School of Law, J.D., *cum laude*, 2007
- Miami University, B.A., *summa cum laude*, B.S. in Business, *summa cum laude*, 2001

### Bar & Court Admissions

- State of Illinois
- U.S. District Court - Northern District of Illinois
- U.S. Court of Appeals - 7th Circuit

- **Low Country Volkswagen LLC v. Volkswagen of America, Inc.**  
Represented Volkswagen in South Carolina federal court action seeking \$8 million in damages for alleged coercion in connection with dealer's obligation to build facility. Jury verdict entered for Volkswagen on all counts.
- **Porterfield v. Orecchio**  
Represented receiver in claim brought in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois against the directors and officers of AA Capital Partners, Inc., an SEC-registered investment advisor, in a \$60 million claim for violations of ERISA, breach of fiduciary duty, fraud, and conversion arising out of alleged misappropriation and misuse of investor funds.
- **Pro Bono: Iranian Political Asylum**  
Barack Ferrazzano attorneys succeeded in petitioning the U.S. Department of Justice Immigration Court to grant political asylum to an Iranian national, who fled Iran after being targeted by the government for participating in the historic protests that followed the election of Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad in 2009. This appears to be one of the first U.S. asylum cases connected with the widely reported 2009 election protests in Iran.

## Articles and Publications

- Co-Author, "Rights, Legal Remedies, and Calculating Damages for Breach of Contract," Chapter 13, IICLE Contract Law, 2008 edition
- Mining Gold in a Conflict Zone: The Context, Ramifications, and Lessons of AngloGold Ashanti's Activities in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Northwestern University Journal of International Human Rights, Spring, 2007 (5 Nw. U. J. Int'l Hum. Rts. 236)

## Professional Activities and Honors

- Member, Chicago Bar Association
- Member, American Bar Association
- Development Editor, Northwestern University Journal of International Human Rights, 2006-07
- Charles Cheney Hyde Prize for Outstanding Paper on a Topic in Public International Law, Northwestern University School of Law, 2006 and 2007
- Phi Beta Kappa
- Beta Gamma Sigma
- Pi Sigma Alpha

## **Charitable and Community Involvement**

- Chair, Young Lawyers Group of the Jewish United Fund/Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Chicago
- Member, National Young Leadership Cabinet of the Jewish Federations of North America