



CONSUMER ADVOCACY CENTER, P.C.

A PRIVATE LAW FIRM PROTECTING CONSUMERS' RIGHTS



LANCE RAPHAEL, Founder & Managing Partner

Education:

Juris Doctor, John Marshall School of Law, 1993

B.S. in Psychology, University of Iowa

Over 20 years ago, Lance A. Raphael started practicing law, starting with the Illinois Supreme Court where he was sworn in on November 4, 1993. Shortly after commencing his law practice in 1997, Mr. Raphael became a supporting member of the National Association of Consumer Advocates (NACA). Since joining NACA, Mr. Raphael founded the Consumer Advocacy Center, P.C. in 1998.

Devoting his practice entirely to consumer rights litigation, Mr. Raphael has brought cases in Illinois and across the United States. As a result of these endeavors, Mr. Raphael has been sworn in before the Second Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals, the Seventh Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals; the U.S. District Court, Northern District of Indiana; the U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Wisconsin; the U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Michigan. Additionally, he has been admitted on various cases before the Harris County State Court, Houston, Texas; the Hennipan County State Court, Albany, California; the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York; the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York; the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California; the Superior Court of the State of Connecticut, J.D. of Stamford, Connecticut; and the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Florida.

In addition to his consumer based national law practice, Mr. Raphael has sought to give back to the legal community in other ways. Several years ago, Mr. Raphael became an Adjunct Law Professor at the John Marshall Law School in Chicago, Illinois. As such, Mr. Raphael was selected by the full-time faculty and the Dean of the law school to teach on a part-time, non-permanent basis. Additionally, Mr. Raphael has lectured numerous times on various consumer law topics for the National Consumer Law Center, Lorman Education Services, the National Association of Consumer Advocates, and the Chicago Bar Association. Mr. Raphael has been invited to speak on multiple panels to address issues related to debt collection and the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, the Telephone Consumer Protection Act, and has appeared on WGN News and various local radio shows to discuss other consumer-related issues.