

## THOMAS C. BUCKEL, JR.

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### PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

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**Hancock Estabrook, LLP**, Syracuse, NY. 1981 – present. *Partner*.

Lead counsel in hundreds of commercial cases in federal and state trial and appellate courts, arbitrations and mediations, with significant ramifications on federal and state law and clients' businesses.

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### EDUCATION

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**University of Virginia School of Law**, Charlottesville, VA.

*Juris Doctor*, 1981.

**Canisius College**, Buffalo, N.Y.

*Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and History*, 1978.

**Syracuse University Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs**, Syracuse, N.Y.

*Graduate Coursework in Political Science*, 1999 – 2001 (part-time, no degree).

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### CURRENT PUBLIC SERVICE

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**Onondaga County Legislator, D-7th District**, elected and re-elected, November 2007 – present.

Committees: Ways & Means, Social Services/Health, Public Safety, Environmental.

**Board of Trustees**, State University of New York, College of Environmental Science and Forestry;

appointed by Governor, confirmed by State Senate, 2008- present.

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### PROFESSIONAL LEGAL ACTIVITIES

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- **Legal Services of Central New York, Inc. and Legal Aid of Mid-New York, Inc** (covering Onondaga, Oneida, Jefferson, Oswego, Herkimer and Lewis Counties), Board of Directors 1998-2007; President, 2004-2007.
- **American Arbitration Association**, Panel of Arbitrators, 1991 – Present .
- **New York State Bar Association**, Trial Lawyer, Commercial/Federal Litigation, and Antitrust Sections.
- **Onondaga County Bar Association**.
- **Federal Court Bar Association of the Northern District of New York**.
- **Canisius College**, Pre-Law Advisory Board, 1985 – 1988; 2006- present.
- **National Trial Advocacy College, University of Virginia Law School**, 2002.
- **Pro bono** representation, including:
  - Cancer patients denied insurance coverage for bone marrow or stem cell transplants.
  - Volunteer Lawyer Landlord/Tenant Project.
  - Special needs clients referred by Catholic Charities.
  - City Court Small Claims Arbitrator.

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### SOCIAL JUSTICE and COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP

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- **Sisters of the Third Franciscan Order**, Development Board, 2002 – present.
- **Le Moyne College**, Board of Regents, fall 2003 – present.

- **Med Tech**, Government Affairs Board, 2005 – spring 2008.
- **Everson Museum of Art**, Board of Trustees, 2003 – spring 2008.
- **L’Arche Syracuse**, Board of Directors, 2001- 2007.
- **Catholic Charities Refugee Program**, Resource development and volunteer January 2002-2007.
- **St. Paul’s Episcopal Cathedral, School of Spiritual Living**, 1999 - 2005.
- **Syracuse Urban Ministry**, Board of Directors, 1999 - 2002.
- **Media Unit**, Advisory Board, 1996 - 1998.
- **Families Together in New York State**, Incorporator, Advisor & Pro Bono Attorney, 1994 - 1995.
- **Hospitality House for Homeless Youth, Inc.**, President, Board Member, Counselor and Fundraising, 1990 - 1995.
- **Syracuse School District**, Mentor and program coordinator, 1990 - 1997.
- **Syracuse School Board**, Selection of Superintendent Advisory Board, 1996.
- **New York State Mentoring Program**, Upstate New York Coordinator, 1990 -1994.
- **Onondaga County Citizens Foundation**, Board of Governors, 1985-1990.

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### TEACHING, CLE PRESENTATIONS

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- **“Constitutional Challenges to the Affordable Care Act,”** Public Healthcare Forum, April 1, 2011.
- **“At the Crossroads of Federalism: the Interwoven, Interdependent, Varied and Expensive Local Government Responsibilities in Implementing Federal and State Domestic Policies,”** The Institute for the Study of the Judiciary, Politics, and the Media at Syracuse University, March 2, 2010.
- **“Civil Trial Practice,”** NBI Legal Continuing Education, December 2010.
- **“Personal Jurisdiction,”** SU School of Law Civil Procedure, September 2010.
- **“Eminent Domain, the Kelo Case and the Intersection of Law and Public Policy,”** CLE, April 2009.
- **“Settlement and Mediation,”** NBI Legal Continuing Education, April 2007.
- **“Current Developments in Architectural Law”**, Lorman Group, March 2007.
- **“Using Technology in Litigation,”** Onondaga County Bar Association, October 2005.
- **“Local Politics, Financial Reporting and SEC Investigations,”** Syracuse University Maxwell School, 2005-06.
- **“Opening Statements,”** New York State Bar Association Trial Practice Seminar, 2004 and 2005.
- **“Green Architecture and Emerging Standards of Architect’s Legal Liability,”** American Institute of Architects, 2003.
- **“Practical Legal Ethics in New York,”** National Business Institute, 2001.
- **“What Cancer Survivors Need to Know About Health Insurance,”** Leukemia Society, 2000.
- **“Legal Implications of Doing Business on the Internet,”** Onondaga County Bar Assoc., 1999.
- **“Business Law,”** Syracuse University School of Management, Adjunct Professor, 1988 (graduate course).
- **“Ethics,”** American Management Association and Citizens Foundation, 1985 – 2000.
- **“Community and political affairs”**- speeches and civic group presentations, 1982 -date.

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**THOMAS BUCKEL  
HANCOCK ESTABROOK, LLP  
REPORTED CASES**

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**New York State Courts:**

*Phoenix Acquisition Corp. v. Campcore, Inc.*, 81 N.Y.2d 138 (1993).  
*In re Martin*, 71 A.D.3d 1503 (4th Dept. 2010)  
*Hart v. Kinney Drugs, Inc.*, 67 A.D.3d 1154, 888 (3d Dept. 2009).  
*Bianchi Indus. Services, Inc. v. Village of Malone*, 41 A.D.3d 999 (3d Dept. 2007).  
*Millers Wood Development Corp. v. HSBC Bank USA*, 300 A.D.2d 1015 (4th Dept. 2002).  
*Village of Boonville v. Laurence Const. Co. of Gouverneur, Inc.*, 2002 WL 31186556 (4th Dept. 2002).  
*Home Town Muffler Inc. v. Cole Muffler Inc.*, 202 A.D.2d 764 (3d Dept. 1994).  
*Spindel v. Chamberlain*, 193 A.D.2d 1060, 598 N.Y.S.2d 892 (4th Dept. 1993).  
*Phoenix Acquisition Corp. v. Campcore, Inc.*, 182 A.D.2d 1101 (4th Dept. 1992).  
*His Place of Rochester, Inc. v. Penn-Can Shopping Mall*, 182 A.D.2d 1145 (4th Dept. 1992).  
*Phoenix Acquisition Corp. v. Campcore, Inc.*, 182 A.D.2d 1100 (4th Dept. 1992).  
*Marine Midland Bank, N.A. v. Cramer*, 177 A.D.2d 1009 (4th Dept. 1991).  
*Marine Midland Bank, N.A. v. Walter Perlstein, Inc.*, 175 A.D.2d 523 (3d Dept. 1991).

*Marine Midland Bank, N.A. v. Cafferty*, 174 A.D.2d 932 (3d Dept. 1991).  
*Marine Midland Bank, N.A. v. Maloy*, 174 A.D.2d 994 (4th Dept. 1991)  
*Gross v. 770 James Street*, 147 A.D.2d 959 (4th Dept. 1989).  
*Marine Midland Bank, N.A. v. Kristin Intern. Ltd.*, 141 A.D.2d 259 (4th Dept. 1988).  
*Marine Midland Bank, N.A. v. 281 Groton Corp.*, 142 A.D.2d 941 (4th Dept. 1988).  
*Marine Midland Bank, N.A. v. Bob Daubney Bowling Enterprises, Inc.*, 136 A.D.2d 963 (4th Dept. 1988).  
*National Fuel Gas Distribution Corp. v. Coffman*, 126 A.D.2d 939 (4th Dept. 1987).  
*National Fuel Gas Distribution Corp. v. Zehler*, 126 A.D.2d 939 (4th Dept. 1987).  
*Aetna Cas. & Sur. Co. v. Sonitrol Sec. Systems of Syracuse, Inc.*, 125 A.D.2d 928 (4th Dept. 1986).  
*Marine Midland Bank, N.A. v. Kenney Plumbing, Inc.*, 125 A.D.2d 969 (4th Dept. 1986).  
*Imperial Bronzelite Products Division of Esquire, Inc. v. Hartford Fire Insurance Company*, 93 A.D.2d 982 (4th Dept. 1983).

**Federal Courts:**

*Brockett v. Reed*, 78 Fed.Appx. 148 (2d Cir. 2003).  
*Carr v. Marietta Corp.*, 211 F.3d 724, (2d Cir. 2000).  
*Commander Oil Corp. v. Advance Food Service Equipment*, 991 F.2d 49 (2d Cir. 1993).  
*R.E. Dietz Corp. v. U.S.*, 939 F.2d 1 (2d Cir. 1991).  
*Matter of Banister*, 737 F.2d 225 (2d Cir. 1984).  
*Burrows Paper Corp. v. Moore & Associates*, 2007 WL 2089682 (N.D.N.Y. 2007).  
*Rome Ambulatory Surgical Center, LLC v. Rome Memorial Hosp., Inc.*, 349 F.Supp.2d 389 (N.D.N.Y. 2004).  
*Brockett v. Utica Boilers, Inc.*, 328 F.Supp.2d 324, (N.D.N.Y. 2004).  
*Sears Petroleum & Transport Corp. v. Ice Ban America, Inc.*, 2004 WL 834849 (N.D.N.Y. 2004).  
*Sears Petroleum & Transport Corp. v. Ice Ban America, Inc.*, 217 F.R.D. 305, (N.D.N.Y. 2003).  
*Brockett v. Reed*, 2002 WL 31682356 (N.D.N.Y. 2002).  
*Brockett v. Reed*, 2002 WL 31677019 (N.D.N.Y. 2002).  
*Laborers' Local No. 442 Health Care Fund v. Laborers' Local No. 35 Health Care Fund*, 2000 WL 620199 (N.D.N.Y. 2000).  
*Health Care Data Systems, Inc. v. Prudential Ins. Co. of America*, 2000 WL 31981 (N.D.N.Y. 2000).  
*Lombardozi v. Debroux*, 1992 WL 246872 (N.D.N.Y. 1992).  
*Yankee Bank for Finance & Sav., FSB v. Task Associates, Inc.*, 139 B.R. 71 (N.D.N.Y. 1992).

*Critical Vac Filtration Corp. v. Northland Filter Systems Intern., Inc.*, 1991 WL 117699 (N.D.N.Y. 1991).  
*R.E. Dietz Corp. v. U.S.*, 1990 WL 175113 (N.D.N.Y. 1990).  
*Rouse v. Rouse*, 1990 WL 160194 (N.D.N.Y. 1990).  
*R.E. Dietz Corp. v. U.S.*, 1990 WL 110936 (N.D.N.Y. 1990).  
*Blais Const. Co., Inc. v. Hanover Square Associates-I*, 733 F.Supp. 149 (N.D.N.Y. 1990).  
*Yankee Bank for Finance & Sav., FSB v. Task Associates, Inc.*, 731 F.Supp. 64 (N.D.N.Y. 1990).  
*Yankee Bank of Finance & Sav., FSB v. Task Associates, Inc.*, 1989 WL 87430 (N.D.N.Y. 1989).  
*In re Northeast Dairy Co-op. Federation, Inc.*, 1989 WL 73233 (N.D.N.Y. 1989).  
*In re Endres*, 103 B.R. 49 (N.D.N.Y. 1989).  
*In re Adirondack Ry. Corp.*, 95 B.R. 9 (N.D.N.Y. 1988).  
*Blais Const. Co. v. Hanover Square Associates-One*, 693 F.Supp. 1412, (N.D.N.Y. 1988).  
*Yankee Bank for Finance & Sav., FSB v. Hanover Square Associates-One Ltd. Partnership*, 693 F.Supp. 1400 (N.D.N.Y. 1988).  
*In re Adirondack Ry. Corp.*, 95 B.R. 867 (N.D.N.Y. 1988).  
*In re Northeast Dairy Co-op. Federation, Inc.*, 80 B.R. 632 (N.D.N.Y. 1988).  
*In re Nemeti*, 65 B.R. 391 (N.D.N.Y. 1986).  
*In re Adirondack Ry. Corp.*, 38 B.R. 736 (N.D.N.Y. 1984).



