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About Ali

Ali practices civil litigation, representing financial institutions and mortgage servicers in contested foreclosure actions and related real estate disputes. He also advises clients on consumer claims involving alleged violations of federal and state statutes, such as the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act (FDCPA), the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act (RESPA), the Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA), and the Truth in Lending Act (TILA).

Ali began his legal career in Louisiana, handling a range of civil litigation matters, including product liability and insurance defense. Since moving to New York, he has concentrated on high-stakes litigation involving real property and creditors' rights, regularly appearing in court on behalf of institutional clients.

Ali's Affiliations

- American Bar Association, Litigation Section, Mortgage & Foreclosure Subcommittee, Co-Chair, 2024 present; LGBT Law & Litigator Committee, Co-Chair, 2024 – present; Judicial Intern Opportunity Program, Mentoring Circle Leader for New York, 2025
- New York State Bar Association
- Iranian American Bar Association

Areas of Focus

Industries: Banking & Financial Institutions; Consumer Financial Services; Financial Services;

Mortgage Lending & Servicing

Services: Appellate; Complex Commercial Litigation; Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA);

Fair Debt Collection Practices Act (FDCPA); Financial Services Litigation;

Litigation & Trial; Mortgage Lending & Servicing Litigation;

Telephone Consumer Protection Act (TCPA)

Recognition

• American Bar Association (ABA), Litigation Section's Young Lawyer Leadership Program, 2019 – 2021

Credentials

Education

Mississippi College School of Law, LLM, 2015 University of Tehran Faculty of Law, LLB, 2013

Bar Admissions

Louisiana

New York

Court Admissions

US Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit US District Court for the Eastern District of New York US District Court for the Southern District of New York

Languages

Azeri

Persian

Interests

Did you know...

Originally from the foothills of the Alborz Mountains in Iran, Ali now lives in New York. He enjoys traveling with his family, discovering new cuisines, and exploring the outdoors with his dog.

Thought Leadership

Presentations

- Panelist, "Building a Successful Legal Career," Judicial Intern Opportunity Program Orientation, American Bar Association, New York, New York, June 10, 2025
- Moderator, "Practical Tips for Improving Mental Health & Well-Being in the Practice of Law," American Bar Association, Webinar, February 10, 2025
- Moderator, "Master Class: Working with and Preparing Witnesses," American Bar Association CLE, October 27, 2022
- Panelist, "Recent Commercial Eviction Cases: Force Majeure, Co-Tenancy, Quiet Enjoyment, Frustration of Purpose," Strafford, CLE Webinar, July 15, 2021
- Panelist, "Governmental Emergency Powers and the Constitutional Implications Arising from Pandemic Orders," American Bar Association, CLE Webinar, September 10, 2020

Publications

- Co-Author, "Statutory Requirements: Strict Construction or Strict Compliance?" American Bar Association, March 25, 2022
- "Tenants' Self-Certification of COVID Financial Hardship Is Insufficient, SCOTUS Rules," American Bar Association, August 19, 2021
- "New York Court Rules that Pandemic Orders Are a 'Casualty," American Bar Association, March 3, 2021
- "SCOTUS: CDC's Eviction Moratorium Is Unlawful," American Bar Association, February 24, 2021
- "A Force Majeure Clause in a Commercial Lease Did Not Excuse Timely Payment of Rent," American Bar Association, December 9, 2020
- "A 'Facial Challenge': New York Residential Landlords' First Constitutional Complaint against COVID-19 Laws," American Bar Association, July 15, 2020
- "Does New York Care More than the CARES Act?" American Bar Association, July 27, 2020

Press Release

• Ali Degan Reappointed as the Co-Chair of the ABA Litigation Section's LGBT Law and Litigator Committee, Jul 14,2025