



## Cheryl A. Santaniello

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Cheryl A. Santaniello is Chair of Porzio, Bromberg & Newman's Corporate Practice Group, a role she has held since May 2025, and serves as Managing Principal of the firm's Wilmington, Delaware office. In addition to her practice group and office leadership roles, she chairs the firm's Opinion Committee. Cheryl is also a member of the firm's Real Estate and Bankruptcy and Financial Restructuring Practice Groups where she provides general counsel to her clients on a wide range of legal matters including business transactional, commercial real estate, and lending matters in Delaware, Pennsylvania, and New Jersey.

Cheryl's experience allows her to offer a wide range of services to clients involving the finance, acquisition, sale, lease, and development of commercial real estate. She has developed a varied lending practice representing lenders and borrowers in commercial loan transactions, workouts, and the purchase and sale of loans. Cheryl also provides legal opinions to lenders and rating agencies including entity formation and existence, authority, bankruptcy-remoteness and non-consolidation opinions.

Beyond her real estate and lending practices, Cheryl serves as outside general counsel to clients in a variety of industries, helping them navigate their day-to-day operations in addition to negotiating complex real estate and business transactions.

## Memberships

- American Bar Association (ABA)
- Delaware Bar Association
- Delaware Bankers Association

## News

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- Porzio, Bromberg & Newman Highlights Leadership Continuity and Strategic Strength Following Annual Principals' Meeting, 5/28/2026

## Cheryl A. Santaniello Cont.

- Porzio, Bromberg & Newman Grows Corporate Practice with Addition of Donald J. Rassiger as Principal, 4/06/2026
- Porzio, Bromberg & Newman Celebrates Women's History Month, 3/31/2026
- Porzio, Bromberg & Newman Announces Leadership Changes Following Annual Principals' Meeting, 5/28/2025
- Porzio Continues Expansion With Philadelphia Office Opening, 4/01/2022
- Porzio, Bromberg & Newman Recognized at 2021 New Jersey Law Journal Legal Awards, 9/24/2021
- Porzio Bromberg and Newman Introduces Business Law Practice, 5/20/2021
- Porzio, Bromberg & Newman Hires Wilmington Attorney as First Delaware Managing Principal, 9/03/2020
- Will bankruptcy boom be boon to Delaware firms?, 9/03/2020
- Porzio Expands Reach with Opening of Wilmington, Delaware Office Led by Cheryl A. Santaniello as Managing Principal, 8/26/2020

## Articles

- Pending Legislation May Provide Marijuana Businesses the Ability to File Bankruptcy , 7/29/2022
- Use of the Bankruptcy Code Remains Elusive for Marijuana Businesses, 5/04/2022

## Practices

- Bankruptcy & Financial Restructuring
- Corporate
- Real Estate

## Area of Focus

- Commercial Lending & Real Estate Financing
- Commercial Real Estate Transactions & Leasing
- Creditor Committees
- Healthcare: Bankruptcy & Financial Restructuring
- Land Use & Redevelopment
- Legal Opinions
- Real Estate Litigation

## Prior Relevant Experience

- Cohen Seglias Pallas Greenhall & Furman PC, Wilmington, Delaware: Partner (2017-2020)

## Cheryl A. Santaniello Cont.

- Young Conaway Stargatt & Taylor, LLP, Wilmington, Delaware: Attorney (2007-2017)

### Bar Admissions

- Delaware, 2007
- New Jersey, 1992
- Pennsylvania, 1991

### Court Admissions

- United States District Court, District of Delaware, 2008
- United States District Court, District of New Jersey, 1993
- United States District Court, Eastern District of Pennsylvania, 1993
- United States Court of Appeals, Third Circuit, 1993

### Education

- *Rutgers Law School*  
J.D., 1991
- *Vanderbilt University*  
B.A., 1987