

Bruno Bianchi

Associate

Mr. Bianchi represents private and not-for-profit owners, residential and commercial tenants, tenant associations, cooperative shareholders and condominium unit owners in real estate, landlord/tenant, wrongful eviction, civil rights and commercial litigation. He represents clients in all state and federal courts. He also appears on behalf of clients before all administrative agencies dealing with housing and real estate issues, such as the New York State Division of Housing and Community Renewal, New York State Division of Human Rights, the New York City Environmental Control Board, Department of Housing Preservation and Development, Commission on Human Rights, and In Rem Foreclosure Release Board.

Mr. Bianchi has practiced in these areas since 1988. Prior to becoming an associate at the firm in 2006, he worked as a staff attorney and supervising attorney at the Legal Aid Society and as the Housing Unit Director at Queens Legal Services Corp. and also worked in private practice.

Mr. Bianchi represents residential clients in holdover and nonpayment proceedings and HP actions in Housing Court and commercial owners and tenants in Part 52 of the Civil Court. Has also represents his clients in wide variety of actions and proceedings in New York State Supreme Court: wrongful eviction, ejection, foreclosure, *Yellowstone* injunctions, commission disputes, and Article 78 proceedings against state and city agencies. One of Mr. Bianchi's specialties is the representation of tenant associations in HP and Article 7A proceedings in Housing Court seeking to compel negligent landlords to repair distressed buildings. He recently was successful in having the Housing Court appoint an independent administrator to repair a building with over 300 Housing Maintenance Code violations, in which several tenants had been living without functioning bathrooms for two years. The Court's extensive decision in this case, *Salva v. 446-452 Fort Washington Avenue*, is available at the New York Official Reports Website at: http://www.nycourts.gov/reporter/3dseries/2010/2010_50368.htm .

Mr. Bianchi participates in several public outreach activities. He has addressed community and school groups, taught Continuing Legal Education classes for attorneys and appeared on public access television programs concerning several legal topics. He is also a panelist on the acclaimed web program *Lawyers' Roundtable*, which is available at <http://lawyersroundtable.com/> .

Education

BENJAMIN N. CARDOZO SCHOOL OF LAW, New York, New York
JD, 1988

Belkin Scholar
Senior Articles Editor, ILSA Journal of International Law

CITY COLLEGE OF NEW YORK, New York, New York
BA, 1985

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Herberson Memorial Award

Bar Admissions

New York State, 1988
U.S. District Court Southern District of New York, 1990

U.S. District Court Eastern District of New York, 1990
U.S. Court of Appeals, Second Circuit, 1991

Professional Affiliations

New York City Bar: Housing Court Committee, Judiciary Committee
Columbian Lawyers Society

Other Interests

Mr. Bianchi is a member of the Board of Directors and Treasurer of Our Lady's Catholic Academy in South Ozone Park, New York. He collects 1964-75 New York World's Fair memorabilia and plays guitar.