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Ronald S. Cook, Esq. is a New York attorney with over 25 years of practice across NY State courts, federal courts in all four NY districts, all four NY federal bankruptcy courts, and the U.S. Tax Court. He is regularly consulted by investigative reporters and journalists for expert commentary on legal matters affecting consumers, small businesses, and professionals.

CREDENTIALS

- **J.D.** Juris Doctor
- **LL.M. (Bankruptcy)** Master of Laws in Bankruptcy
- **LL.M. (Taxation)** Master of Laws in Taxation
- **MBA** Master of Business Administration (summa cum laude)
- **B.S.** Bachelor of Science in Economics and Finance

Admissions: New York State; U.S. District Courts for the Northern, Southern, Eastern, and Western Districts of New York; all four NY federal bankruptcy courts; U.S. Tax Court.

AREAS OF EXPERTISE

- Consumer law, debt collection abuses, medical debt, student loans, identity theft, and consumer protection under NY GBL §§ 349 and 350
- Tax: IRS and NY State audits, Offer in Compromise, Voluntary Disclosure, FBAR/FATCA compliance, tax preparer malpractice, Responsible Person assessments
- Traffic, criminal, and DMV: VTL violations, NY DMV point system, license suspension, CDL, DWAI/DWI/DUI
- Artificial intelligence and technology: AI in legal practice, AI false-positive accusations, intellectual property, copyright, cybersecurity
- Estate planning and elder law: wills, trusts, probate disputes, healthcare proxies, Medicaid planning, special needs trusts
- Court procedures and access to justice: NY State and federal procedure, small claims, demand letters, pro se litigation
- Bankruptcy & Chapter 7 Relief — consumer Chapter 7 filings (means test, 707(b), exemptions, dischargeability of credit card and medical debt), 2026 filing trends, interaction with foreclosure and loan modification, dischargeability of tax debt, bankruptcy clawback defense, and Subchapter V for small-business reorganization.

CURRENTLY AVAILABLE TO DISCUSS

- **AI in Legal Practice & AI False Accusations** — professional responsibility issues with attorney use of AI; reliability of AI-detection tools in academic and employer disciplinary proceedings
- **NY DMV Point System Changes (Feb 2026)** — regulatory changes, effects on drivers, insurance, and license suspension thresholds
- **Healthcare Provider Defense & IDR** — No Surprises Act federal IDR, NY shield law for reproductive and gender-affirming care, prescription defense, billing fraud
- **Tax Preparer Malpractice** — CPA, EA, and tax preparer professional liability; FBAR and Form 8938 reporting failures; multi-state filing errors
- **Consumer Debt & Foreclosure Trends** — medical debt, student loans, frozen bank accounts, NY foreclosure defense, debt collection abuses

CONFIRMED RECENT APPEARANCES

- **WCBS Channel 2 (CBS New York)** — on-camera legal commentary segment
- **New York Magazine** — background commentary to journalist on AI detection tools and false-positive accusations

PUBLISHED BOOKS

- *Mastering Artificial Intelligence in Legal Practice*
- *A Straightforward Guide to Drafting Your Will Today*
- *Beating Traffic Tickets*
- *How To File A Bankruptcy*
- *How to Increase Your Credit Score*

Materials and contributions also published by ReveCom.io, several New York and federal bar association publications, and trade association journals.

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