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BANKRUPTCY PRACTICE GROUP

The NAMWOLF **Bankruptcy Practice Group** consists of member law firms from NAMWOLF's Transactional Practice Area Committee and Financial Services Litigation Practice Area Committee.

The Bankruptcy Practice Group is comprised of member law firms with a vast array of attorneys experienced in all facets of bankruptcy, financial restructuring, reorganization, and workouts. They represent debtors, official committees, trustees, debtors-in-possession, purchasers, creditors, sellers, landlords, and lenders in bankruptcy cases, including adversary proceedings. They also represent parties in connection with corporate turnarounds, financial restructuring, and liquidations, including out-of-court workouts. The firms' jurisdictional coverage and range of industry experience is as diverse as the firms themselves, but all of the firms share the commonality of core competency and experience in the bankruptcy arena, both in and out of court. Take a look inside for information about our member firms, their geographic locations, and their specific practice areas and clients served.

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Bankruptcy Practice Group Member Firms

BurgherGray LLP

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF EXPERIENCE

BurgherGray LLP's Bankruptcy practice focuses on the representation of creditors, including secured and unsecured lenders, creditors' committees, trustees and other interested parties in Chapter 11 reorganization cases, out-of-court restructurings, international insolvencies, and loan and claims investigation and trading. BurgherGray attorneys have represented clients in a wide array of industries, including real estate, energy, financial services, satellite, chemical, aviation, food and beverage, consumer goods and communications. Our attorneys have extensive experience asserting and protecting creditors' and company rights; negotiating and structuring settlements, including reorganization plans; drafting disclosure statements; negotiating debtor-in-possession financing and adequate protection arrangements; investigating and prosecuting causes of action arising in the Chapter 11 context; and litigating various core and non-core proceedings before various Bankruptcy Courts. We have negotiated various credit default swap agreements on behalf of several major money center banks, and conducted investigations of distressed loan portfolios, claims and trades. Our Bankruptcy attorneys work with our Financial Restructuring and Business Workout group to provide a full range of services on bankruptcy and financial restructuring matters.

Culhane Meadows PLLC

culhanemeadows.com

Office Locations | Atlanta, GA | Austin, TX | Boston, MA | Chicago, IL | Dallas, TX

Houston, TX | New York, NY | Philadelphia, PA | Washington, DC

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF EXPERIENCE

Culhane Meadows provides comprehensive legal services related to financial restructuring, bankruptcy and workouts. Our practice involves all aspects of distressed situations—from handling cases and proceedings under chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code to complex out-of-court restructurings. Our depth of knowledge comes from having guided sophisticated clients engaged in various industries through the last financial crisis. We actively represent debtors, creditors and other constituencies throughout the bankruptcy process. In addition to representing debtors, we have represented secured creditors in bankruptcy litigation, with commercial collection efforts and in bankruptcy cases. Our lawyers also have represented unsecured creditors and creditors' committees in a number of significant cases involving the interplay of the bankruptcy process with various regulatory regimes. Our bankruptcy group operates as a team that is national in scope, and effective at resolving issues arising in the current business climate. Please contact us at your convenience for further information. We would welcome the opportunity to speak with you.

DTO Law

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF EXPERIENCE

DTO Law provides services in a wide array of bankruptcy and insolvency matters (cases under chapters 7 and 11 of the bankruptcy code, assignments for the benefit of creditors, out of court workouts, and receiverships). DTO's creditor's rights and remedies group focuses on providing practical and effective advice and counsel, both in and out of court, to secured and unsecured creditors. DTO's seasoned litigators frequently represent these creditors (including lenders and other financial service providers) in lien disputes, claims-related litigation, defending fraudulent transfer (voidable transfer) and preferential transfer matters, and in prosecuting and defending a multitude of other actions.

Edwards Maxson Mago & Macaulay LLP

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF EXPERIENCE

Edwards Maxson Mago & Macaulay LLP represents debtors, secured and unsecured creditors and other parties in interest in bankruptcy cases. We represent lenders providing debtor-in-possession financing, cash collateral and escrow services. We also represent clients engaged in pre-bankruptcy planning, and out-of-court workouts and restructurings. Our focus is to enable our clients to navigate the bankruptcy process efficiently, and to be effective at resolving complex issues arising in distressed situations.

Fitzwater Mercer

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF EXPERIENCE

Since its establishment in 1928, Fitzwater Mercer has traditionally concentrated in the area of creditor's rights, including representing creditors' interests in all Bankruptcy Courts in Indiana through Chapters 7, 13, 11 and 12. Our attorneys are able to guide creditors through reviewing the debtor's filed documents in bankruptcy, a review of the creditor's rights and remedies in the bankruptcy, and directing creditors through the sometimes difficult procedural waters of a debtor's bankruptcy filing. We also offer our client's the benefit of our experience in adversary proceedings and other contested litigation matters in bankruptcy.

Goosmann Law Firm, PLC

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF EXPERIENCE

Goosmann Law Firm represents creditors in Iowa, Nebraska and South Dakota in a variety of bankruptcy and creditors' rights matters, from the complex to the routine, in both business and consumer bankruptcy and workout situations. Our attorneys help obtain relief from the automatic stay, obtain adequate protection for the use of secured creditors' collateral, and reaffirmation of debts, as well as more complex matters such as bankruptcy sales, plan negotiation and adversary proceedings. Our attorneys are active leaders in the federal bar, IWIRC and the American Bankruptcy Institute.

Johnson, Blumberg & Associates

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF EXPERIENCE

Our law firm represent lenders and servicers, note-buyers, creditors and other security-holders in consumer bankruptcy proceedings throughout Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota and Wisconsin. All of our bankruptcy attorneys handle Chapter 7, Chapter 11, Chapter 12 and Chapter 13 matters, including Motions for Relief, Proof of Claims, Objections to Proof of Claims, Reaffirmations, Objections to confirmation, Motions to Sell Property, Valuation hearings, redemption hearings, and also adversary actions with respect to standing, lien avoidance, and violations of stay/discharge orders. Our attorneys have also responded to and resolved credit reporting issues and alleged violations brought by opposing counsel in bankruptcy proceedings.

Bankruptcy Subcommittee Member Firms

Kang Haggerty & Fetbroyt

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF EXPERIENCE

As experienced Creditors' Rights attorneys, KHF provides a results-driven practice tailored to the goals and needs of banks and financial institutions. Although we treat every client and every loan differently depending on the situation, we understand and deliver on the one common demand all clients share: prompt results in a cost effective manner. We protect the rights of our creditor clients, even when the debtor is in bankruptcy, including through adversary or other enforcement proceedings that may be necessary. Whether you are in need of loan workout or related litigation, foreclosure, confession of judgment, or a faster exit strategy, KHF stands ready to deliver. As experienced creditors' rights lawyers, we will seek prompt results while delivering sophisticated strategy that protects your interests.

KPPB LAW

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF EXPERIENCE

Our firm provides a variety of bankruptcy-related services, representing both debtors who are attempting to resolve financial issues and creditors whose accounts receivable are at risk due to someone else's bankruptcy. While bankruptcy is often viewed as a matter of filling out forms, it is actually a complex legal process that can easily go wrong if the process is not guided by someone with an intimate knowledge of its complexities and possible pitfalls. Our attorneys have the experience necessary to successfully advise and represent you in the bankruptcy proceedings that may impact your business.

Liebler, Gonzalez & Portuondo

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF EXPERIENCE

LGP's Bankruptcy Team has extensive experience in institutional creditor representation in all types of consumer and commercial bankruptcy proceedings, including Chapter 7, 11, 12, 13 and 15 cases throughout Florida and also regularly appears in bankruptcy courts across the United States. The Firm's Bankruptcy Team regularly represents clients in a wide range of contested matters and adversary proceedings, successfully litigating or otherwise resolving cases with debtors, U.S. Trustees, Chapter 15 Foreign Representatives and receivers. The Firm's Transactional/Workout Team focuses on real estate lending, secured lending, construction lending, commercial loan workouts and restructurings and public finance transactions. Within the Transactional Department, the Firm's Commercial Workout and Debt Restructuring Practice Group represents a wide array of national and local financial institutions in connection with the documentation and restructuring of secured loan transactions and municipal debt.

León Cosgrove, LLP

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF EXPERIENCE

León Cosgrove has extensive experience in bankruptcy, financial restructuring and related commercial litigation. We routinely represent financial institutions, vendors, landlords, secured and unsecured creditors, troubled companies, officers and directors, official and ad hoc committees of creditors, purchasers of distressed debt and assets, bankruptcy and liquidation trustees, and state and federal court-appointed receivers. Our experience spans a vast array of industries, including real estate, retail, healthcare, hospitality, logistics and transportation, communications, and construction. Members of our firm regularly appear in bankruptcy and other courts, representing plaintiffs and defendants in actions involving preferential and fraudulent transfers, financial fraud, Ponzi schemes, breaches of fiduciary duty, creditors' rights, and insolvency related matters. Where appropriate, we resolve disputes outside of court to avoid the costs and risks of litigation.

LimNexus LLP

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF EXPERIENCE

LimNexus has substantial experience representing a broad array of clients in corporate bankruptcy proceedings, including secured & unsecured creditors, trustees, receivers, creditors' committees, purchasers, and debtors.

Orlans PC

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF EXPERIENCE

With broad experience representing secured and unsecured creditors and lenders, our highly qualified attorneys provide comprehensive legal representation to support our clients in minimizing their losses. At Orlans, we understand the industry's stringent requirements and we have a vested interest in always obtaining the best outcomes for our clients. The Orlans bankruptcy team adheres to strict timelines and specific procedures established by each of its clients.

Rusing Lopez & Lizardi, PLLC

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF EXPERIENCE

Rusing Lopez & Lizardi, PLLC routinely provides creditor representation to secured and unsecured clients in bankruptcy court, including lift stay motions, Chapter 11 and 13 plan objections, valuation disputes, claim litigation, defense of preference actions, as well as non-dischargeability actions against debtors.

Bankruptcy Subcommittee Member Firms

Sapientia Law Group, PLLC

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF EXPERIENCE

The Sapientia Team provides assistance to debtors and creditors in connection with financial matters. We represent individuals and businesses who are either in financial distress or are looking to avoid it. We represent secured lenders and unsecured creditors both inside and outside of bankruptcy and Official Committees of Unsecured Creditors appointed in Chapter 11 bankruptcy matters. We practice in all bankruptcy districts in the upper Midwest and have litigated adversary actions in bankruptcy courts around the country. In addition to working in the bankruptcy system in federal court, we are also active under state insolvency law, working as attorneys for receivers and assisting our clients, when necessary, in filing an Assignment for Benefit of Creditors.

The Stark Firm, PLLC

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF EXPERIENCE

The Stark Firm is a practice that covers over 16 states with a focus solely on the representation of financial institutions. The founding partner has a deep expertise in bankruptcy and creditor's rights which we have developed into a thriving firm supporting national and regional financial institutions.

Stern, Lavinthal & Frankenberg

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF EXPERIENCE

Stern, Lavinthal & Frankenberg, LLC has an extensive practice representing financial institutions in troubled loan situations. By keeping on the cutting edge of new bankruptcy law, our knowledgeable attorneys are able to assist clients in the enforcement of remedies and in negotiating and documenting a full variety of restructuring transactions.

Valentine Austriaco & Bueschel

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF EXPERIENCE

We protect the rights of creditors in Chapter 7, 11, and 13 bankruptcy matters. We also have substantial experience in representing lenders in all facets of bankruptcy litigation, including lien disputes, adversaries, trustee disputes, and claim objections.

Walsh Pizzi O'Reilly Falanga

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF EXPERIENCE

Walsh's Bankruptcy, Reorganization and Creditors' Rights lawyers represent debtors, creditors and other stakeholders and interested parties in all aspects of bankruptcy, restructuring and financial insolvency issues. When litigation is necessary, our dedicated team regularly represents clients in connection with bankruptcy litigation, contested matters and related dispute.

Wargo French Singer

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF EXPERIENCE

Wargo French Singer's bankruptcy and creditor's rights group has substantial experience in all areas of bankruptcy and insolvency. The group represents debtors in complex Chapter 11 matters and has vast experience representing creditors, trustees, receivers and committees throughout the country in bankruptcy. The group also regularly represents parties in a wide array of bankruptcy litigation, including the prosecution and defense of avoidance actions throughout the country.



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LimNexus LLP
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Wargo French LLP

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León Cosgrove, LLP
Orlans PC
The Stark Firm, PLLC
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