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Co-chair of the Business Reorganization Group. Advises ad hoc groups, creditors, purchasers and other investors on all aspects of restructurings (in- and out-of-court), recapitalizations, exchanges, workouts and distressed situations, with a particular focus on the representation of investment funds and financial institutions.

In addition to representing ad hoc groups, creditors, purchasers and investors in distressed situations, Kristine has represented debtors and official committees in Chapter 11 cases and companies in post-restructuring matters.

Kristine is recognized as one of *The Deal's* "Top Women in Dealmaking" and as a "Rising Star" by *New York Metro Super Lawyers*.

### **Practices**

# BUSINESS REORGANIZATION SPECIAL SITUATIONS AND BANKRUPTCY LITIGATION SPECIAL SITUATIONS

## **Bar Admissions**

New York

Delaware

## **Court Admissions**

US District Court, Southern District of New York

# Clerkships

Hon. William T. Thurman, Chief Judge, US Bankruptcy Court, District of Utah

## Education

University of Maryland School of Law, J.D.

Columbia University School of International and Public Affairs, M.A.

Brigham Young University, B.A.

## Representations

#### Ad Hoc Groups/Steering Committees

- Ad hoc group of noteholders in connection with the restructuring and amendment of Veradigm convertible Notes
- Senior Secured noteholders in connection with the debt-for-equity exchange and recapitalization of Associated Materials
- Ad hoc group of noteholders in connection with the consent solicitation and exchange offer by SLACK related to the SLACK/Salesforce merger
- Ad hoc group of noteholders in connection with the consent solicitation and exchange offer by Caesars Entertainment
- Ad hoc group of noteholders in connection with the consent solicitation and exchange offer by Northern Oil & Gas
- Ad hoc group of hospitals in connection with the Purdue Pharma Chapter 11 cases
- Ad hoc group of MLP lenders and purchasers of MLP assets in connection with the Westmoreland Coal Company Chapter 11 cases
- Ad hoc group of senior secured lenders, DIP lenders and purchasers of substantially all the assets in connection with the Relativity Media Chapter 11 cases
- Ad hoc group of noteholders and new money lenders in connection with Abengoa group companies' global restructuring (including Chapter 11 cases of US subsidiaries)
- Ad hoc group of project finance lenders in connection with the Seadrill Limited Chapter 11 cases
- Ad hoc group of second lien lenders and DIP lenders in connection with the SunEdison Chapter 11 cases
- Steering Committee of first lien lenders and noteholders, DIP lenders and purchasers of substantially all the assets in connection

with the Walter Energy (Warrior Met Coal) Chapter 11 cases

- Steering Committee of first lien lenders and DIP Lenders in connection with the Longview Power Chapter 11 cases
- Ad Hoc Group of senior secured noteholders in connection with the Catalyst Paper Corp. Chapter 15 proceedings (and related Canadian proceedings)

#### Creditors/Investors

- Foundry Digital LLC as significant unsecured creditor and equity holder in connection with the Core Scientific Chapter 11 cases
- Sixth Street as fist lien lender and cash collateral lender in connection with the Energy Alloys Chapter 11 cases
- Sixth Street as a first lien lender in connection with the Barney's Chapter 11 cases
- MGG Investment Group as first lien lender and DIP lender in connection with the GenCanna Global Chapter 11 cases
- Wilmington Trust as second lien agent in connection with the True Religion Chapter 11 cases
- Centerbridge as secured creditor in connection with the Lehman Brothers Chapter 11 cases

#### **Purchasers**

- Foundry Digital LLC as purchaser of crypto mining sites and related assets in connection with Compute North Chapter 11 cases
- Bluestar Alliance as purchaser of the Justice brand assets in connection with the Ascena Retail Group Chapter 11 cases
- Potential purchasers/bidders in connection with the Celsius,
   Voyager, BlockFi, GWG and Purdue Pharma Chapter 11 cases

#### Companies and Official Committees

 Associated Materials and its board of managers in the sale/merger with funds managed by SVP Global

- Debtors in the Allied Nevada, Atari, Quiznos, and Archbrook Laguna
   Chapter 11 cases
- Official Committees of Unsecured Creditors in the Hawker Beechcraft, Friendly Ice Cream Corp. and Vitro America Chapter 11 cases

## **Publications**

- "Second Circuit's Purdue Pharma Ruling: Third Party Releases
   Remain a Question of Geography," Schulte Alert, June 20, 2023
- "Validity of Non-Consensual Third-Party Releases Called into Question in Purdue Bankruptcy - But for How Long?" Schulte Alert, Dec. 22, 2021; republished in Pratt's Journal of Bankruptcy Law, April/May 2022
- "Ultra Petroleum Bankruptcy Court Allows Make-Whole Premium and Postpetition Interest at Contractual Default Rate," Schulte Alert, Feb. 22, 2021

## **Speaking Engagements**

- "Distressed Opportunities," Schulte Private Capital Conversations, July 2023
- "Distressed Opportunities," Schulte 32nd Annual Private Investment Funds Seminar, January 2023
- "The Broad Spectrum of Distressed Investing," 18th Annual Wharton Restructuring and Distressed Investing Conference, Feb. 2022
- "Bankruptcy," Schulte 31st Annual Private Investment Funds Seminar, Jan. 2022
- "Credit Funds and Distressed Investing," Schulte 30th Annual Private Investment Funds Seminar, January 2021
- "Credit and Specialty Finance," Schulte 28th Annual Private Investment
- Funds Seminar, New York, January 2019
- Wharton Restructuring Club Distressed Debt Trading Before You Say "Done" Seminar, Philadelphia, November 2018
- "Section 363 Bankruptcy Sales: Key Considerations in the Auction Process, Private Sales, Due Diligence and Operations," Strafford Webinar, May 2018
- "European Restructuring Techniques: The Impact of Brexit and Other Developments on the Primacy of the UK Scheme of Arrangement," LSTA and LMA Conference, May 2017
- "Business Bankruptcy Legal Update Panel," ABI Annual Spring Meeting, April 2017

## Memberships

- American Bankruptcy Institute
- IWIRC, International Women's Insolvency & Restructuring Confederation
- INSOL International
- Armenian Bar Association
- Board of Directors, Harlem School of the Arts

## Distinctions

- The Deal Ranked as one of the Top Women in Dealmaking
- New York Metro Super Lawyers Rising Star
- Immigration Equality's 2012 Safe Haven Award for excellence in probono representation

## **Prior Experience**

- Partner, Clifford Chance
- Counsel, Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld
- Associate, Richards, Layton & Finger