

Jack Butler

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One of the most highly regarded and renowned dealmakers and thought leaders in the restructuring, corporate reorganization and M&A communities, Jack has been credited as one of the principal architects of restructuring solutions for companies across a diverse range of industries, including Delphi Corporation, Kmart Corporation, Sprint Corporation, Xerox Corporation and on behalf of creditors in the American Airlines' reorganization and merger with US Airways Group, Inc. The American-US Airways transaction was cited for its innovation, collaboration and creativity by the Financial Times, which separately profiled Jack for developing “creative solutions” during the credit crisis. He co-founded the corporate restructuring practice at Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP, where he was a practice leader for twenty-three years. He previously served on the executive leadership team at Hilco Global, where he worked with healthy and distressed companies, their creditors and investors on a broad range of strategic transactions.

Jack is a member of the M&A Advisor Hall of Fame and the Turnaround, Restructuring and Distressed Investing Industry Hall of Fame. He is a recipient of the prestigious Ellis Island Medal of Honor, which is awarded to Americans who exemplify outstanding qualities in both their personal and professional lives. A founder and past chairman of the Turnaround Management Association, Jack has served in leadership positions for many other industry organizations, including the American Bankruptcy Institute, American Board of Certification, Commercial Finance Association and its Education Foundation, INSOL International and New York Institute of Credit. He is also a Fellow in the American College of Bankruptcy and International Insolvency Institute. Jack received an A.B. from Princeton University and a J.D. from the University of Michigan Law School. In addition to serving in leadership positions with numerous civic and charitable organizations, he officiated high school and college football for many years and is a lifetime member of the American Football Coaches Association.