

Special Report

Outstanding Restructuring Lawyers – 2010

Lawyer	Firm	Outstanding Achievements
Jesse H. Austin, III	Paul Hastings Janofsky & Walker Atlanta, GA jessaustin@paulhastings.com	Led representation of UBS in its role as agent to first-lien lenders in highly publicized American Safety Razor Chapter 11 filing. Also lead counsel to SunTrust Bank, GE Capital Corporation, and Bank of America/Merrill Lynch on various restructures and bankruptcy cases, all of which resulted in over \$1.0 billion of recovery to senior lender syndicates.
Donald S. Bernstein	Davis Polk & Wardwell New York, NY donald.bernstein@davispolk.com	Counsel to: 14 financial instn. counterparties in Ambac restructuring of CDS & financial guarantee obligations, JPMorgan as agent for \$8.5B senior credit facility of Tribune Company, 23 financial instn. counterparties in Syncora restructuring of CDS & financial guarantee obligations of over \$160B, and JPMorgan as agent in C-BASS restructuring.
James L. Bromley	Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton New York, NY jlbromley@cgsh.com	U.S. counsel to Nortel, popularizing § 363 sales internationally, generating \$3 billion through auctions, now running same process for IP portfolio and allocating proceeds among dozens of Nortel entities around globe. Major roles in: GM and Chrysler (UAW), Lehman (Federal Reserve and SEC), and Foxwoods (major creditor).
John (Jack) Wm. Butler, Jr.	Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom Chicago, IL jack.butler@skadden.com	Co-leader of the firm's global Corporate Restructuring practice, cited for its work in Citi's spinoff of Primerica, advisement of Delphi, and representation of CIT in its prepack. Named to <i>Financial Times</i> ' list of "U.S. Innovative Lawyers." Consulting editor for <i>Navigating Today's Environment: The Directors' and Officers' Guide To Restructuring</i> .
George A. Davis	Cadwalader Wickersham & Taft New York, New York george.davis@cwt.com	Lead restructuring lawyer for LyondellBasell, Caribbean Petroleum, secured lenders/new owners of BLB/Twin River, and agent for secured bridge lenders of Centro. Led LyondellBasell – \$20 billion chemicals company with operations throughout the world – in a successful 15-month Chapter 11 case.
Andrew G. Dietderich	Sullivan & Cromwell New York, NY dietdericha@sullcrom.com	Lead restructuring counsel for: Fairholme and Pershing Square as plan sponsors in GGP bankruptcy (largest-ever real estate case), CIT board (largest-ever prepackaged case), Fiat and New Chrysler in acquisition of Chrysler Group assets, Ares and Ontario Teachers in acquisition of Simmons Bedding, The Weinstein Company in out-of-court restructuring.
Jay M. Goffman	Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom New York, NY jay.goffman@skadden.com	Led MGM Studios through 29-day pre-pack, converting \$5B of secured debt into equity. Helped LyondellBasell obtain \$8B in DIP financing for Access Industries. Represented Paul Allen as majority shareholder of Charter Communications with \$24B in debt. Lead partner for Evergreen International Aviation in its corporate finance and M&A activities.
Kristopher M. Hansen	Stroock & Stroock & Lavan New York, NY khansen@stroock.com	Lead counsel to bondholders in Trump Entertainment, Neff Rental, Neenah Enterprises, Morris Communications, Rath Gibson, Panavision, and Fairpoint Communications. Also led the creditors' committee for Citadel Broadcasting and represented parties in Stations Casinos and Boston Generating (EBG Holdings).
Paul E. Harner	Paul, Hastings, Janofsky & Walker New York, NY paulharner@paulhastings.com	Devised innovative solution to Six Flags' bankruptcy that drastically reduced company's indebtedness and mandatorily redeemable preferred stock, maximized creditor recoveries, rehabilitated iconic American business, and preserved thousands of jobs. Led novel and complex Paladin Capital Group and Station Casinos restructurings and Chapter 11 matters.
Marshall S. Huebner	Davis Polk & Wardwell New York, NY marshall.huebner@davispolk.com	Counsel to: NY Fed and U.S. Treasury on transactions for AIG totaling more than \$180B, joint administrators and liquidators of Lehman Brothers Intl. (Europe) and its UK Lehman affiliates in connection with the tens of billions of dollars of claims against Lehman's U.S. entities, and Goldman Sachs in connection with its exposure to Capmark Financial.
Harvey R. Miller	Weil, Gotshal & Manges New York, NY harvey.miller@weil.com	Created and developed the firm's Business Finance & Restructuring department specializing in reorganizing distressed business entities. Attorney for debtor in Lehman Brothers Holdings and GM. Advisor for GM in Delphi and Collins & Aikman restructurings. Named to <i>Financial Times</i> ' inaugural list of "U.S. Innovative Lawyers."
Martin A. Sosland	Weil, Gotshal & Manges Dallas, TX martin.sosland@weil.com	Lead debtor counsel on multiple complex, litigious Chapter 11 cases, including SemGroup (\$5B debt, cross-border and multi-jurisdictional), Crescent Resources (121 debtors, \$2B debt), Texas Rangers (auction achieved highest price ever for AL club), and Blockbuster (ongoing). Co-lead counsel on Pilgrim's Pride.