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PRACTICES Restructuring, Bankruptcy Litigation, Counterparty Insolvency and Risk Management, Distressed M&A, Lender Representation, Chapter 11 Debtor, Crisis Management, Distressed Transactions

Arsalan Muhammad is a member of the Restructuring Practice Group in the firm's Houston office. Arsalan's practice focuses on bankruptcy and restructurings, including related financings, acquisitions, and litigation. His experience includes the representation of Chapter 11 and 15 debtors, secured and unsecured creditors, as well as other parties-in-interest in a variety of business restructuring matters. Arsalan has also represented purchasers in acquiring assets and companies in Chapter 7 and Chapter 11 bankruptcies. Arsalan advises borrowers and lenders with respect to counterparty risks and out-of-court restructurings.

Arsalan's restructuring experience includes representation of debtors and purchasers in a variety of industries, including aerospace, commodities, E&P, gas storage facilities, oilfield services, television and radio, pharmaceuticals, restaurant, software, technology and utilities. Arsalan regularly represents financial institutions, including banks, private equity funds, and other lenders.

Arsalan also worked on a team of attorneys in a transaction involving Express Grain that was awarded the 2023 Mid-Sized Company Turnaround/Transaction of the Year Award from the Turnaround Management Association, and representation of Landry's, Inc. that was awarded the 2018 Global M&A Network Turnaround Atlas Award.

Arsalan is a Fellow of the Texas Bar Foundation and the current President of the Houston Chapter of Turnaround Management Association.

QUALIFICATIONS

EDUCATION

- J.D., Georgetown University Law Center, 2010
- B.S., Political Science, University of Houston, 2006

LANGUAGES

- Urdu

ADMISSIONS

- Texas

COURT ADMISSIONS

- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Texas
 - U.S. District Court for the Western District of Texas
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PUBLICATIONS AND SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- “Rated Note Feeders: Issues Facing Subscription Line Lenders,” co-author, *LexisNexis Practical Guidance*, December 20, 2022.
 - “Commercial and Chapter 11 Issues and Developments,” speaker at 24th Annual Bankruptcy Law Seminar at LSU Law Center, November 9, 2018.
 - “Hot Topics Affecting Creditors in Chapter 11 Bankruptcy Cases,” speaker at Southern District of Texas Bankruptcy Bench Bar Conference, May 10, 2018.
 - “Oil and Gas Bankruptcy Issues,” speaker at AAPL Texas Land Institute, September 26, 2016.
 - “Troubles in the Oil Patch, a Review of Oil and Gas Bankruptcy and Insolvency Issues,” speaker at the Petroleum Equipment & Services Association, September 22, 2016.
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PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND ENGAGEMENTS

- President of the Houston Chapter of Turnaround Management Association
 - Texas Bar Foundation Fellow
 - American Bankruptcy Institute
 - State Bar of Texas
 - The Honorable Arthur L. Moller/David B. Foltz, Jr. American Inn of Court
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SELECTED CLIENT REPRESENTATIONS

- Representation of Instant Brands, Orbital Infrastructure Group, Heritage Power, Rosehill Resources, Erickson, Global Aviation, Goldking, Houston Regional Sports Network, and think3, as Chapter 11 debtors.
- Representation of Hess, as the corporate parent in the HONX bankruptcy case.
- Representation of a counter party in the grain agricultural bankruptcy of Express Grain.
- Representation of Zenith Bank as the senior lender in the bankruptcy cases of Erin Energy Corporation.
- Representation of NextEra Energy Marketing as a hedge counterparty in the bankruptcy cases of Gastar Exploration.
- Representation of the Fee Examiner in the bankruptcy cases of Seadrill Limited and iHeartMedia, Inc.
- Representation of the administrative agent in a senior \$2 billion borrowing base facility.
- Representation of Landry’s Inc. in its purchaser of Joe’s Crab Shack and Brick House Tavern + Tap in the bankruptcy cases of Ignite Restaurant Group.
- Representations of senior lenders, including DIP lenders and petitioning creditors, in the bankruptcy cases of Breitburn Energy, CCNG Energy, Chaparral, Chesapeake, Linn Energy,

Mississippi Phosphates, Monitronics, Paragon Offshore, Ryckman Creek Resources, South Edge, Trinity Coal.

- Representation of purchasers in the bankruptcy cases of The Banning Lewis Ranch Company, Compressus, Ensequence, Hipcricket, Wave Systems.
 - Representations of parties in out-of-court workouts, including related to borrowers or assets in Canada, Mexico and the United Kingdom.
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AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

- Member of the 2023 Class of the American Bankruptcy Institute's 40 Under 40 Program
- Included in the "Ones to Watch" category of *The Best Lawyers in America*, Woodward/White, Inc., 2021-2025