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Matt helps debtors and creditors economically resolve financial problems—in court or out of court.

Matt has broad experience representing debtors, creditors, and fiduciaries in complex insolvency matters, in cases involving both individuals and businesses. Matt's practice focuses on helping companies navigate a bankruptcy reorganization, from the first day of a case, through confirmation of a plan of reorganization and resolving disputed claims, and to final resolution. When a bankruptcy case is not appropriate, Matt is able to help with other out-of-court options to resolve a troubled financial situation.

Matt also helps creditors protect their rights in insolvency matters and helps professional fiduciaries discharge their duties and recover the maximum amount for the estates they represent.

Select Experience

- Represented a land developer in a successful chapter 11 reorganization resulting in a confirmed plan of reorganization
- Represented a secured lender in a chapter 11 reorganization of a regional trucking company
- Represented a secured lender in a chapter 11 reorganization of a trade show management company
- Represented the assignee of a general assignment for the benefit of creditor in connection with the dissolution of a technology company

Court Admissions

- U.S. District and Bankruptcy Courts for Central, Eastern, Northern, and Southern Districts of California
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit

Education

- University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law (J.D., with Distinction, 2009)
 - Traynor Honor Society; Dean's Honor Roll
 - Witkin Awards: Legal Process, Appellate and International Advocacy, Criminal Law
 - Appellate and International Advocacy Best Brief Award (Appellee)
 - Chicago Bar Association Moot Court Competition, Best Oral Advocate Award – 2nd Place
 - Traynor Moot Court Competition, Outstanding Achievement in Oral Advocacy Award
- University of the Pacific (B.S., Business Administration; B.A., Political Science, 2004)

Professional Affiliations

- Commercial Law & Bankruptcy Section of the Bar Association of San Francisco—Immediate Past Chair
- Sacramento Valley Bankruptcy Forum—Member, Board of Directors
- Clerk’s Advisory Committee—U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of California
- University of the Pacific Alumni Association—Past President
- National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges—Next Generation Program (2016)

Clerkships

- U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of California, Honorable Ronald H. Sargis, 2010–2012

Accolades

- Consistently providing pro bono legal assistance to those in need through Dorsey’s Pro Bono program

Select Presentations

- *Small Business Reorganization Act: A Review of the First Six Months*. Sacramento Valley Bankruptcy Forum, September 10, 2020
- *Bankruptcy Issue Spotting in the Age of COVID-19*. Bar Association of San Francisco, August 5, 2020
- *Chapter 11 Bankruptcy Basics*. Dorsey & Whitney LLP Professional Development, April 21, 2020

- Outstanding Student Leader Award
- Outstanding Junior Scholarship Award

Bar Admissions

- California