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Rachel assists clients achieve their goals in the context of financial restructuring, both in and out of court.

Rachel has substantial experience representing parties in all aspects of the bankruptcy and financial restructuring process, including fiduciaries, debtors, and creditors. Rachel strives to combine a keen attention to detail with a strong connection to the practical implications of her work in order to achieve her client's goals efficiently and effectively. While Rachel always strives to consensually resolve conflicts as they arise, she has extensive litigation experience.

Select Experience

- Counsel to chapter 11 debtor and its affiliates in connection with their \$1.45 billion bankruptcy case filed in the Southern District of Texas resulting in a prepackaged bankruptcy approved within 38 days of the filing that implemented a substantial deleveraging of the debtors' funded debt from \$1.45 billion to \$855 million.
- Counsel to chapter 11 debtor and its affiliates in connection with their successful prepackaged bankruptcy filing in the District of Delaware that implemented the deleveraging of the companies by fully equitizing their over \$200 million of funded debt.
- Lead counsel to secured lender in heavily contested chapter 11 filed on the eve of client's foreclosure that ultimately resulted in consensual appointment of a chief restructuring officer and sale of substantially all of the debtor's assets to wholly owned subsidiary of client.
- Lead counsel to secured lender in connection with exercise of a variety of out-of-court remedies, including UCC foreclosure sales, forbearance agreements, and other workouts.

Court Admissions

- Central District of California
- Eastern District of California

Education

- St. John's University School of Law (J.D., 2009)
 - Executive Notes and Comments Editor, American Bankruptcy Institute Law Review; Dean's List
- St. John's University School of Law (LL.M., Bankruptcy, 2010)
 - Outstanding Academic Achievement Award
- University of California, Berkeley (B.A., 2006)
 - Honors Distinction

Bar Admissions

- California
- New York

- Northern District of California
- Southern District of California
- Eastern District of Michigan
- Southern District of New York
- Eastern District of New York
- Western District of Wisconsin
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit

Professional Affiliations

- Turnaround Management Association
- American Bankruptcy Institute member
- Bar Association of San Francisco

Clerkships

- United States Bankruptcy Court, Northern District of California, Honorable Hannah L. Blumenstiel, 2018–2020

Charitable & Civic Involvement

- Volunteer for various campaigns with Volunteer Center of Santa Cruz, including the annual Adopt-A-Family program.

Accolades

- Best Lawyers® Ones to Watch in America, 2025-2026

Languages

- English

Additional Information

- *Same Sex Couples May Be Able to File Joint Bankruptcy Petitions*, co-authored with David A. Blansky, *The Nassau Lawyer* (Nov. 2011)
- *Recent Amendments to New York's Exemption Laws*, co-authored with Joseph S. Maniscalco, *The Nassau Lawyer* (Apr. 2011)
- LL.M. Thesis, *Why Successor Liability Claims Are Not "Interests in Property" Under Section 363(f)*, 18 Am. Bankr. L. Rev. 697 (Winter 2010)

Select Presentations

- Speaker, *Fraud, Forensics, and Defenses* panel, American Bankruptcy Institute, Annual Spring Meeting 2025

Insights

April 8, 2021

SBA Clarifies PPP Loans and Bankruptcy

December 14, 2020

德汇美国破产法问答（系列之六） Dorsey U.S. Bankruptcy Law Q&A Series Six

December 11, 2020

(德汇美国破产法问答系列之五) Dorsey U.S. Bankruptcy Law Q&A Series Five

December 10, 2020

(德汇美国破产法问答系列之四) Dorsey U.S. Bankruptcy Law Q&A Series Four

November 13, 2020

Dorsey U.S. Bankruptcy Law Q&A Series Six

November 5, 2020

Dorsey U.S. Bankruptcy Law Q&A Series Five

October 28, 2020

Dorsey U.S. Bankruptcy Law Q&A Series Four

October 27, 2020

德汇美国破产法问答（系列之三） Dorsey U.S. Bankruptcy Law Q&A Series Three

October 21, 2020

Dorsey U.S. Bankruptcy Law Q&A Series Three

October 14, 2020

Dorsey U.S. Bankruptcy Law Q&A Series Two

October 13, 2020

德汇美国破产法问答（系列之二） Dorsey U.S. Bankruptcy Law Q&A Series Two

October 9, 2020

德汇美国破产法问答（系列之一） Dorsey U.S. Bankruptcy Law Q&A Series One

October 7, 2020

Dorsey U.S. Bankruptcy Law Q&A Series One

August 17, 2020

From Coast to Coast Rachel Stoian '09L, '10LL.M. Finds Success as a Bankruptcy Lawyer