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James is an associate in the Bankruptcy & Financial Restructuring Group.



Practices

Financial Restructuring & Bankruptcy
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Education

Notre Dame Law School, JD, cum laude, 2018
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James focuses his practice on corporate restructuring and insolvency matters, helping creditors successfully navigate the bankruptcy process and ensure that their claims are paid. James has a particular concentration representing institutional indenture trustees and official committees of unsecured creditors in complex chapter 11 proceedings. His practice also includes general commercial litigation matters in federal and state courts. James also has significant experience representing both borrowers and lenders in secured commercial transactions, including those concerning the acquisition of real property.

James also serves as Communications Chair of the Boston Bar Association's Bankruptcy Law Section.

Previous Work

Prior to joining ArentFox Schiff, James was a bankruptcy associate at an international law firm. In this capacity, James represented creditors in all aspects of complex Chapter 11 proceedings, including motions practice, adversary litigation, filing and litigating proofs of claims, the plan confirmation process, and matters concerning the appointment of a trustee.

James previously served as a law clerk to Judge Gregory Taddonio on the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania. In law school, James was the editor-in-chief of the Notre Dame Journal of Legislation.

Publications, Presentations & Recognitions

— Co-author, "Increasing Transfer Security for Securities: Application of the Section 546(e) Safe Harbor to Trust Indentures," 31 ABI Law Review 205 (2023)

— Presenter, "Bankruptcy Basics," Boston Bar Association, April 26, 2023

— Co-Presenter, "Receiverships, ABCs and Other Restructuring Alternatives," National Association

of Credit Management Webinar, April 12, 2023

- Co-author, “Exploring Alternatives to Bankruptcy for Pennsylvania Cannabis Companies,” the Legal Intelligencer, January 2020
- Author, “Things to Consider Before Filing Under Seal,” 2019 No. 1 Norton Bankr. L. Adviser NL 1 (2019)
- Author, “The Constitution that Couldn’t: Examining the Implicit Imbalance of Constitutional Power in the Context of Nominations, and the Need for Its Remedy,” 43 J. Legis. 214 (2016)

Life Beyond the Law

James likes to cook, play tennis, and read nineteenth-century Russian literature.

Bar Admissions

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