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# **CLAY B. ROBERTS**

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Clay Roberts is Of Counsel on the firm's Business Reorganization Team in Miami. Clay focuses his practice on commercial bankruptcy and restructuring matters, insolvency-related disputes, workouts, and distressed M&A. Clay has served as counsel to debtors, creditor committees, investors, bondholders, and asset purchasers in complex Chapter 11 cases. Clay also has experience in corporate transactions and mergers & acquisitions. He currently serves as the Co-Chair for the Chapter 11 Subcommittee in the American Bar Association's Business Law Section.

## **Education**

J.D., *cum laude*, Georgia State University B.B.A. in Business Economics, Georgia State University

#### **Bar Admissions**

Florida

Georgia

U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Northern, Middle and Southern Districts of Florida

# **Practice Teams**

**Business Reorganization** 

# **Practice Areas**

Bankruptcy/Restructuring
Bankruptcy Litigation
Distressed M&A & Restructuring

## **Representative Matters**

- Counsel to an international bank, as administrative agent, under a \$2.8 billion credit facility with Mallinckrodt plc, a global pharmaceutical company and its affiliates.
- Counsel to an ad hoc group of holders of \$475 million of unsecured bonds in the Chapter 11 restructuring of iHeartMedia, the largest owner and operator of radio stations in the United States.
- Counsel to the seller in a \$78 million sale of a privately-held wholesale supply business that specializes in the distribution of replacement OEM and after-market keyless entry remotes, keys, and hardware to a portfolio company of a private equity firm.
- Counsel to an investment management firm in the out-of-court restructuring of Affinion Group Holdings, Inc., a leading customer engagement and loyalty marketing company.
- Counsel to a leading international provider of airport ground services and air cargo handling, on its comprehensive restructuring and recapitalization, resulting in a de-levered and strengthened balance sheet.
- Counsel to a global asset management firm, the largest holder of second lien notes, in the Chapter 11 restructuring of Claire's Stores, Inc.
- Counsel to an ad hoc group of consenting cross-over holders of unsecured bonds and secured term loans in the Chapter 11 restructuring of Acosta, Inc.
- Counsel to an energy company in its \$9.45 billion all-cash acquisition of Energy Future Holdings Corp., resulting in the creation of the largest utility holding company in the United States.

# **Community Activities / Associations**

- American Bar Association
- Chapter 11 Subcommittee of the ABA Business Bankruptcy Committee, Co-Chair (2014 Present)
- American Bankruptcy Institute, Member (2013 Present)
- Dade County Bar Association, Member (2015 Present)

#### **Awards & Honors**

- American Bar Association, Section of Business Law's Business Bankruptcy Committee, Kathryn R. Heidt Memorial Award. 2022
- Florida Super Lawyers, Rising Star (2019 2023)
- The Best Lawyers in America, Ones to Watch, Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights Insolvency and Reorganization Law, (2022 – 2023)

#### In the News

Berger Singerman Adds KPMG, Bilzin Sumberg Attys in Miami October 27, 2023

Berger Singerman Bolsters Business Finance & Tax Team with Addition of Alex Denault and its Business Reorganization Team with Clay Roberts
October 25, 2023

#### **Publications**

The M&A Advisor Recognizes Berger Singerman LLP for its Work on the Sale of Delphi Behavioral Health Group, LLC and the Acquisition of Bang Energy by Monster Beverage During its 22nd Annual Awards November 29, 2023

# **Events & Speaking Engagements**

Moderator, "Who's My Client? The Practice and Ethics of Third-Party Financing in Bankruptcy", National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges
October 2017

Moderator, Retail Bankruptcies from the Outside Looking In, ABA 2019 Business Law Section Spring Meeting March 2019

### **Prior Affiliations**

- Bilzin Sumberg Baena Price & Axelrod LLP
- White & Case LLP
- Genovese Joblove & Battista, P.A. (n/k/a Venable LLP)
- Judicial Law Clerk, Honorable Laurel M. Isicoff, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Florida