



Jerry L. Hall

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Bankruptcy requires skill, creativity and a little nerve to find the best outcome. With more than two decades navigating distressed situations, Jerry Hall helps his clients choose a way forward and obtain the results they need, whether that's saving thousands of jobs for distressed debtors or recovering critical funds for a creditor client.

Grit and creativity in distressed situations

In and out of court, Jerry helps troubled companies, independent directors, indenture trustees, debtors-in-possession, committees, distressed debt investors, secured lenders, and lessors in bankruptcy and insolvency-related litigation. He represents clients across industries, including real estate, retail, agriculture, manufacturing, gaming and hospitality, aviation, life sciences, telecommunications and finance. Jerry advises on financial and operational restructurings throughout the United States and in Puerto Rico.

Representative Experience

- Debtor's counsel to pork processing enterprise in chapter 11 case.
- Debtor's counsel to specialty airline offering business class-only service to London in Chapter 11 case.
- Debtor's counsel to major online advertising company in Chapter 11 case, involving three separate sales of assets.
- Debtor's counsel to owner/operator of Puerto Rico hotel and casino in Chapter 11 case.
- Debtor's counsel to manufacturer of lumber and wood products in Chapter 11 case.
- Counsel to national bank, as secured lender, in eight related dairy farm Chapter 11 cases.
- Represent mezzanine lender in Chapter 11 case of multi-debtor real estate developers, including related substantive consolidation and intercreditor litigation.

Practices

- Commercial Litigation
- Insolvency and Restructuring

Education

- LLM, The George Washington University Law School
- JD, The University of Tennessee College of Law
- BA, Allegheny College

Bar Admissions

- District of Columbia
- Virginia
- New York

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- Counsel to independent directors in national pharmacy and retail company in chapter 11.
- Counsel to independent directors in large media enterprise in chapter 11.
- Counsel to independent directors in large ambulatory surgery enterprise in chapter 11.
- Counsel to independent directors global biopharmaceutical company that produces and sells opioid and non-opioid products.
- Counsel to independent directors of oil and gas enterprise in its Chapter 11 cases.
- Counsel to independent directors in connection with multiple, separate retail bankruptcy cases, including J.C Penney and others.
- Counsel to official committee of unsecured creditors of skin, hair, and oral care products seller, achieving significant recovery for unsecured creditors in a chapter 11 case despite secured creditors being substantially undersecured.
- Counsel to preeminent operator in hospitality industry in connection with purchase of substantially all assets in multiple chapter 11 restaurant cases.
- Counsel to a fund in its Chapter 15 case.
- Counsel to court-appointed monitor in the chapter 15 case of popular entertainment company.
- Counsel to court-appointed receiver of large fashion company in chapter 15 case.

Recognitions

Recognized or listed in the following:

- *Super Lawyers*
 - New York, 2024
- *The Legal 500 United States*
 - Recommended Attorney, 2022

News

- Katten Restructuring Wins in Seven Categories of *The M&A Advisor's* 19th Annual Turnaround Awards (January 30, 2025)
- Katten Team Acts as Designated Investors' Counsel in \$4.5 Billion Recapitalization (December 13, 2024)

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- Katten Government and Public Finance Team Contributes to Multiple Winners at The Bond Buyer Deal of the Year Awards (December 9, 2024)
- Katten Attorneys Named to 2024 New York Super Lawyers, Rising Stars Lists (October 29, 2024)
- Katten Restructuring Awarded Multiple Turnaround Atlas Awards by the *Global M&A Network* (September 17, 2024)
- Insolvency and Restructuring Team Recognized With Multiple International M&A Awards (August 7, 2023)
- Insolvency and Restructuring Team Honored With Multiple *M&A Advisor* Awards (March 16, 2023)
- Katten Insolvency and Restructuring Team's 2021 Achievements Recognized with *M&A Advisor* Awards (June 13, 2022)
- Katten Awarded Top Ranking in Structured Finance: Securitization in The Legal 500 United States 2022 (June 8, 2022)
- Katten Bankruptcy Team Wins Numerous Turnaround Awards From The *M&A Advisor* (September 20, 2021)
- Katten Insolvency and Restructuring Cleans Up at *Global M&A Network* Turnaround Atlas Awards (June 29, 2021)
- [Zest Soap Maker Strikes Creditor Deal On Ch. 11 Loan](#) (February 14, 2020)
- Katten's Insolvency and Restructuring Team Wins Two Turnaround Awards (December 12, 2019)
- Katten Announces Partner Promotions (August 1, 2018)

Publications

- *In re Tribune Co.*: Allowance of Post-Petition Indenture Trustees Fees as Unsecured Claim (January 10, 2019)
- Court Confirms Contractual Limits of Trustee's Duties (May 4, 2018)
- Second Circuit Clarifies Interest Rate Applicable in Chapter 11 "Cramdowns" (December 18, 2017)
- Parties' Intent: Third Circuit Finds Make-Whole Provision Survives Voluntary Bankruptcy Filing (April 2017)
- Second Circuit Adopts Narrow Interpretation of Trust Indenture Act Provision Intended to Protect Bondholders (January 23, 2017)
- Language Matters: Third Circuit Finds Make-Whole Provision Enforceable After Bankruptcy Filing (January 19, 2017)

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- No Longer Running With the Land: *Sabine* Court's Non-Binding Opinion May Alter Playing Field (June 2016)
- *Sabine* Court Issues Industry-Affecting Non-Binding Opinion (March 16, 2016)
- Don't Settle a Preference Case on the Basis of Unpaid New Value (January 2014)

Presentations and Events

- Puerto Rico in Crisis (May 14, 2014) | *Speaker* | *Current Topics in Public and Private Sector Restructurings and Bankruptcies*