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Practices

FOCUS: Structured Finance and Securitization

Futures and Derivatives

Investment Management and Funds

Structured Products

Industries

Energy

Finance and Financial Markets

Education

JD, Duke University School of Law

BA, Brigham Young University

Bar Admissions

New York

From energy transactions to over-the-counter derivatives and structured finance transactions, clients trust Don Macbean to handle structuring, negotiating and documenting their most complex structured transactions.

Understanding the unique needs of clients

Don has extensive experience advising clients in the energy sector with respect to a wide variety of financial transactions, including supply contracts, offtake and hedging transactions (physical and financial), tolling arrangements, and construction debt financings. His ability to see both the big picture and the fine details are key to his approach in achieving his clients' business goals.

In the derivatives space, Don works with issuers, sponsors, derivatives dealers and end-users in a variety of transactions, including structured swaps, total return instruments, credit derivatives, repo contracts and other types of structured products. Don also advises international clients on accessing the US capital markets through complex debt issuances backed by mortgages and other related assets.

Don is recognized in industry publications such as *The Legal 500 US*, and his clients include financial institutions, insurance companies, underwriters, issuers, corporations and other end-users.

Recognitions

Recognized or listed in the following:

- The Legal 500 United States
 - Recommended Attorney, 2018–2020

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News

- Coronavirus (COVID-19) Resource Center (August 10, 2021)
- Katten Named Top-Tier Firm in Structured Finance and Securitization by The Legal 500 United States 2020 Guide (June 16, 2020)
- Don Macbean Shares COVID-19 Challenges for Mortgage Servicers (April 6, 2020)
- Katten Praised in The Legal 500 United States 2019 Guide (June 11, 2019)
- Katten Distinguished by *The Legal 500 United States* (June 14, 2018)
- Katten Names 19 New Partners (July 1, 2015)

Publications

- Initial Margin Guidance for US Swap End Users (July 29, 2020)
- Hope for the Best but Prepare for the Worst — Steps to Take If You are Worried About the Effects of the Pandemic on Your ISDA Counterparty (April 27, 2020)
- Part II: Force Majeure Clauses and Physically Settled Power Hedges Under the ISDA North American Power Annex (April 15, 2020)
- Force Majeure Clauses and Financially Settled Transactions Under the ISDA Master Agreement (April 1, 2020)
- Regulatory Freeze Memorandum To Have Minimal Impact on Structured Finance Industry (January 25, 2017)

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Presentations and Events

- *Advanced Swaps & Other Derivatives 2020 (October 20–21, 2020) | Panelist | Structured OTC Derivative Transactions- Key Negotiation Points*
- *Advanced Swaps & Other Derivatives 2019 (October 22–23, 2019) | Panelist | Structured OTC Derivatives Transactions – Key Negotiation Points*
- *Advanced Swaps & Other Derivatives 2017 (October 24–25, 2017) | Panelist | Principal Issues for Consideration and Negotiation in Derivatives Documentation-Cleared and Uncleared*