Jennifer I. Wolfe

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Clients turn to Jennifer Wolfe for her knowledge of the market and pragmatic, business-like approach to the practice of law. She represents administrative agents, arrangers, first and second lien lenders and mezzanine lenders in an array of secured and unsecured cash flow and asset-based financings. Jennifer helps her clients, which include banks and non-bank financial institutions in the middle-market, navigate the regulatory landscape and find creative solutions that work for all parties.

Recognized strength in debt transactions

Recognized by industry publications such as *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers in Business*, *The Legal 500 US* and *The Best Lawyers in America*, Jennifer advises on acquisition, leveraged buyout and recapitalization transactions, and her practice spans a wide variety of deal sizes and types, from single-lender financings of lower-middle-market companies to broadly syndicated and unitranche credit facilities of more than $1 billion for equity sponsor-backed transactions. Jennifer also advises clients on restructurings and troubled-credit workouts. Jennifer is known in the market for her experience representing lenders to borrowers in a variety of industries, including the healthcare industry. Jennifer is a member of the firm's board of directors.

Recognitions

Recognized or listed in the following:

- *Best Lawyers in America*
  - Banking and Finance Law, 2012–2023
- *Chambers USA*
  - Banking & Finance, 2019–2026
- *Crain's Chicago Business*
  - Notable Women in Law, 2022
- *The Legal 500 United States*

Practices

- Healthcare
- Healthcare Finance
- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Private Credit
- Private Equity

Industries

- Finance and Financial Markets
- Manufacturing and Industrials Private Equity

Education

- JD, DePaul University College of Law
- BS, Indiana University

Bar Admissions

- Illinois

- Recommended Attorney, 2017, 2022–2026

News

- Katten Adds Cot Eversole to Capital Markets Practice in Chicago (September 9, 2026)
- Katten Earns Top Rankings in the Legal 500 US 2026 Guide (June 10, 2026)
- Katten Climbs in *Chambers USA* 2026 Rankings (June 4, 2026)
- Katten Supports Chicago Students With Backpacks (August 18, 2025)
- Katten Receives High Marks in the Legal 500 US 2025 Guide (June 11, 2025)
- *Chambers USA* 2025 Ranks Katten as Leading Law Firm (June 5, 2025)
- Katten Attorneys Selected for 2025 Illinois Super Lawyers, Rising Stars Lists (January 31, 2025)
- *Business Journals* Profile Three Katten Partners Named to Their 2024 Women of Influence Lists (November 21, 2024)
- *Business Journals* Name Three Katten Partners to 2024 Women of Influence Lists (October 7, 2024)
- Katten Kicks Off School Year With Backpack Donation in Chicago (August 27, 2024)
- Katten Highly Ranked in Legal 500 United States 2024 (June 12, 2024)
- Katten Receives High Marks in *Chambers USA* Guide 2024 (June 6, 2024)
- Katten Appoints Jennifer I. Wolfe to Helm Its Chicago Headquarters (May 20, 2024)
- Katten Lauded in The Legal 500 United States 2023 (June 9, 2023)
- Katten Boosts Rankings in *Chambers USA Guide 2023* (June 1, 2023)
- Katten Attorneys Recognized by *Best Lawyers*® (August 18, 2022)
- Katten Awarded Top Ranking in Structured Finance: Securitization in The Legal 500 United States 2022 (June 8, 2022)
- Katten Ranked Leading Law Firm by *Chambers USA* 2022 (June 1, 2022)

> ***"Jen is amongst the most knowledgeable and effective attorneys in the industry. Her level of service, ability to connect with clients and opposing counsel, and ability to navigate difficult situations, is second to none in the market."***

***Chambers USA* 2022**
(Illinois, Banking & Finance)
survey response

- Katten Attorneys Listed in *The Best Lawyers in America*® (August 19, 2021)
- Katten Boosts Rankings in *Chambers USA* 2021 (May 20, 2021)
- *Bloomberg* and *Middle Market* Feature Katten's 2021 Private Credit Survey Report (May 13, 2021)
- Katten Launches 2021 Private Credit Survey Report (April 8, 2021)
- Katten Attorneys Distinguished as Top Legal Talent in the 2021 *Best Lawyers in America* and *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch* Lists (August 20, 2020)
- Katten Rated Top Law Firm by *Chambers USA* 2020 (April 23, 2020)
- Katten Lauded Top Ranked Law Firm by *Chambers USA* 2019 (April 25, 2019)
- Katten Distinguished by *The Legal 500 United States* 2017 (May 31, 2017)
- 79 Katten Attorneys Selected for *Best Lawyers in America*® 2017 (August 15, 2016)
- 91 Katten Attorneys Recognized in *Best Lawyers in America*® 2016 (August 17, 2015)
- 85 Katten Attorneys Named to *Best Lawyers in America*® 2015 (August 18, 2014)
- 83 Katten Attorneys Lauded in *Best Lawyers in America*® 2014 (August 15, 2013)
- 80 Katten Attorneys Named to *Best Lawyers in America*® 2013 Guide (August 24, 2012)
- 75 Katten Attorneys Named to *Best Lawyers in America*® 2012 Guide (September 12, 2011)
- Katten Names 15 New Partners (March 24, 2008)

Presentations and Events

- JumpStart (May 19–21, 2021) | *Speaker*