Jan Harris Cate

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Private Credit

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Jan Cate represents banks and other lending institutions in a wide variety of commercial finance transactions, including acquisition financings, letter of credit transactions, secured and unsecured lending, complex intercreditor negotiations, unitranche facilities, asset based and cash flow lending transactions, financial restructurings and workouts of problem credits.

Debt financing experience across industries

Jan's work spans many industries and types of businesses, including broadcast, satellite and other communications and media companies, food and other retail products, casinos and gaming, theaters, restaurants, healthcare facilities, agricultural companies, religious and other nonprofit institutions.

Prior to joining Katten, Jan was a partner at Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP, where she led the firm's Los Angeles Finance Section. She was also a resident in Hong Kong, where she represented a financial institution in a variety of international finance transactions. She is on the Board of Directors of the Los Angeles Downtown Ketchum YMCA.

Recognitions

Recognized or listed in the following:

- *Best Lawyers in America*
  - Banking and Finance Law, 2022–2027
- *Chambers USA*
  - Banking & Finance, 2012, 2023–2026
- *Super Lawyers*
  - Southern California, 2004
- *The Legal 500 United States*
  - Recommended Attorney, 2018, 2022–2026

Practices

- International
- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Private Credit
- Private Equity
- Real Estate Finance and Lending

Industries

- Finance and Financial Markets
- Manufacturing and Industrials Private Equity

Education

- JD, Boston University School of Law
- BA, University of California, San Diego, *with honors*

Bar Admissions

- California

Professional & Community Involvement

- Association of Corporate Growth
- Ketchum Downtown YMCA, Board of Managers
- Los Angeles County Bar Association

- Turnaround Atlas Awards
  - Gaming & Hospitality Turnaround of the Year, 2012

News

- Katten Attorneys Recognized in 2027 *Best Lawyers* Guide (August 20, 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 Celebrates 101 Attorneys Honored by *Best Lawyers*® (August 21, 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 Pulls for Special Olympics Southern California in Biggest Showing Yet (August 29, 2024)
- Katten Attorneys Recognized as *Best Lawyers*® and *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch*® Award Recipients (August 15, 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 Attorneys Distinguished by *Best Lawyers*® (August 17, 2023)
- 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 Attorneys Listed in *The Best Lawyers in America*® (August 19, 2021)
- Katten Distinguished by *The Legal 500 United States* (June 14, 2018)
- Katten California Attorneys and Staff Pull for Special Olympics (August 25, 2017)

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- Katten Team Wins Turnaround Atlas Award for Golden Gaming Restructuring (July 2, 2012)
- Katten Adds Premier Team of Restructuring, Finance Attorneys (June 11, 2012)