



Peter P. Knight

Partner and Co-Chair, Restructuring

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With decades of experience, Peter Knight represents individual creditors and lender groups at all levels of the capital structure — in out-of-court restructurings, bankruptcy proceedings and various special situations transactions. Peter has built a strong market reputation for representing senior secured agents and lenders in middle market workouts and restructurings.

Restructuring with an eye on minimizing risk, cost and delay

Peter has substantial experience representing clients in Chapter 11 bankruptcy proceedings as well as developing and implementing non-bankruptcy restructuring strategies that help clients achieve their business objectives while avoiding cost, delay and risk attendant to the bankruptcy process. Such strategies include Uniform Commercial Code (UCC) foreclosure transactions, receivership proceedings, assignments for the benefit of creditors, exchange offers, rights offerings and various rescue financing and other special situations transactions.

Peter also has a strong commitment to pro bono service and has worked with organizations such as the Chicago Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights, Ascend Justice (formerly the Domestic Violence Legal Clinic), the Texas DNA Mixture Review Project and the National Veterans Legal Services Program.

Recognitions

Recognized or listed in the following:

- *Best Lawyers in America*
 - Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law, 2025–2026
- *Chambers USA*
 - Bankruptcy/Restructuring, 2009–2010, 2016–2019, 2021–2025
- *The Legal 500 United States*
 - Recommended Attorney, 2016–2019, 2022, 2024–2025

Practices

- Health Care
- Private Credit
- Restructuring

Industries

- Energy
- Entertainment and Media
- Hospitality

Education

- JD, New York University School of Law
- BA, Kalamazoo College, *magna cum laude*

Bar Admissions

- Illinois

Court Admissions

- US District Court, District of Maryland
- US District Court, Eastern District of Michigan
- US District Court, Northern District of Illinois
- US Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit

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News

- 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 Restructuring Awarded Multiple Turnaround Atlas Awards by the *Global M&A Network* (September 17, 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 Boosts Rankings in *Chambers USA Guide 2023* (June 1, 2023)
- *Global Restructuring Review* Names Katten Among Leading Insolvency and Restructuring Practices (December 19, 2022)
- Katten Advises in Transfer of Assets of Invisible Hands in Pro Bono Matter (September 19, 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)
- Katten Boosts Rankings in *Chambers USA* 2021 (May 20, 2021)
- Peter Knight's Arrival at Katten Draws Media Buzz (February 23, 2021)
- Katten Pulls in Top Bankruptcy Attorney Skilled at Helping Lenders (February 17, 2021)

Presentations and Events

- Refinitiv LPC Middle Market, Direct Lending & Large Corporate Loans Virtual Conference (March 8-9, 2022) | *Panelist* | *Distress and Success: The Road Ahead for Private Credit?*

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- Refinitiv LPC Middle Market, Direct Lending & Large Corporate Loans Virtual Conference Fall 2021 (September 14–15, 2021) | *Speaker | Coming of Age: Navigating Distressed Credits and Setting the Road Ahead During a Pandemic*