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Michael C. Rupe Joins Katten Muchin Rosenman's Bankruptcy, Reorganization and Creditors' Rights Practice as Partner

Rupe Returns to the Firm's Chicago Office Following a Stint with Jenner & Block

CHICAGO – Katten Muchin Rosenman LLP is pleased to announce the addition of [Michael C. Rupe](#) as a partner in its Bankruptcy, Reorganization and Creditors' Rights Practice. Mr. Rupe, who will practice in the Firm's Chicago office, was previously an associate with Katten Muchin Rosenman from 1999 through 2002.

"We are pleased to welcome Mike back to the Firm," said [John P. Sieger](#), chair of Katten Muchin Rosenman's Bankruptcy, Reorganization and Creditors' Rights Practice. "Mike has a reputation for handling matters in an efficient, economic and expedient manner, while keeping focused on complex deal points. We look forward to working with him once again."

Prior to rejoining the Firm, Mr. Rupe, 35, served as a partner with Jenner & Block LLP in Chicago. While there, he where he was a member of a team that was awarded M&A Advisor's 2004 Deal of the Year Award and also the Chicago Turnaround Management Association's 2004 Transaction of the Year Award.

Mr. Rupe concentrates his practice in corporate bankruptcies, workouts and restructurings. He has acted as lead counsel for secured lenders, syndicated loan agents and participants, venture capital concerns and their portfolio companies, and borrowers/debtors in all aspects of in-court and out-of-court workout, restructuring and reorganization matters, including DIP financing, exit financing and cash collateral matters. Mr. Rupe also represents sellers and buyers in connection with acquisitions and divestitures of distressed properties, with transactions occurring both in bankruptcy and outside of bankruptcy, including assignments for the benefit of creditors, receiverships and UCC sales. Additionally, he routinely acts as lead counsel for secured, unsecured and "undersecured" institutional lenders including General Electric Capital Corporation and LaSalle Bank National Association, in workouts and bankruptcies involving a various industries. Recent representative work in which Mr. Rupe has been involved, include the bankruptcy cases of Protocol Communications, Conesco, Archibald Candy (Fannie May), Jays Foods, United Air Lines, Clark Retail, Gingiss Formalwear, Fleming Companies, and Kmart.

Mr. Rupe received his Bachelor of Arts degree from The Ohio State University in 1992 and his *juris doctor* from the University of Cincinnati College of Law in 1997.

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