

# Bankruptcy, Workouts & Business Reorganization

## Creating Value For Our Clients

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Financially distressed businesses regularly use bankruptcy and other legal mechanisms to effectuate a financial and operational reorganization, an orderly liquidation, a going concern sale, or an abrupt closure. Those distressed businesses, and their creditors and other interested third-parties, require effective and responsive legal representation to help them first to formulate and then to implement strategies for protecting and advancing their interests based on established legal principles and solid business sense.

The attorneys of Seyfarth Shaw LLP's Bankruptcy, Workouts & Business Reorganization Practice Group possess the breadth of industry experience and depth of legal skills to help clients effectively and efficiently address their insolvency-related challenges and achieve real business results. Our Bankruptcy attorneys, together with other lawyers in the firm, provide focused interdisciplinary representation to help our clients address both the immediate crises and long-term issues related to financially troubled businesses. We accomplish these objectives by developing and implementing effective strategies based on our clients' goals and the legal landscape, coupled with an analysis of the circumstances presented.

## Overview

Seyfarth Shaw's Bankruptcy Group consists of approximately 25 attorneys skilled in the nuances of debtor/creditor relations and the various laws at the federal, state, and local level which apply and often dictate a particular outcome. The services that we provide include addressing circumstances that threaten the economic viability of long-standing organizations and the individuals associated with them, protecting the interests of parties having ongoing relationships with troubled enterprises, maximizing claim recovery for creditors, and identifying opportunities for investors.

Responding to the needs of its expanding client base, Seyfarth Shaw now has Bankruptcy Group attorneys practicing in our Atlanta, Boston, Chicago, Houston, Los Angeles, New York, Sacramento, San Francisco and Washington, D.C. offices.

## Our Clients

Seyfarth Shaw's Bankruptcy attorneys have significant experience representing and counseling clients involved in various types of insolvency proceedings, including bankruptcy reorganizations and liquidations, out-of-court restructurings, assignments for the benefit of creditors, and receiverships. We represent clients in diverse industries, including construction, energy, finance, hospitality, manufacturing, airline, nursing home, not-for-profit, real estate, retail, service, health care and technology, and we represent clients having such diverse roles in such proceedings as:

- Debtors
- Trade and other unsecured creditors
- Creditors' committees
- Secured creditors
- Equity holders
- Landlords
- Indenture trustees
- Asset purchasers
- Bankruptcy trustees and state court receivers
- Retiree committees
- Municipalities and port authorities

## About Seyfarth Shaw

Seyfarth Shaw LLP ("Seyfarth") was founded in 1945 by three lawyers and has grown to more than 800 lawyers across 13 markets in the U.S. and abroad. We handle issues for our clients in all key areas including labor and employment, litigation, construction, corporate, employee benefits, environmental, government contracts, intellectual property, commercial litigation, real estate, securities litigation, trade secrets, trusts and estates, and workouts and bankruptcy, among others.

Our success is the result of a constant, unrelenting focus on the needs of our clients. Our commitment to excellence and our belief in the strength of a team-based approach to the delivery of our services offers an atmosphere of creative and innovative thinking.

Our clients are our partners in business and we are committed to listening to their needs and to aligning the skills and abilities of our people to respond to those needs. Our clients range from *Fortune* 100 to midsize companies, and include publicly traded and privately held companies and various types of funds. We represent clients of all sizes across all industries and we are diligent in providing the same level of commitment to each client.



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