

JOSEPH G. EPSTEIN

— Counsel —

Joe Epstein has over 30 years of legal experience, spanning all areas of bankruptcy and business restructuring, Chapter 11 business reorganization, insolvency, creditors' rights, receiverships, and Chapter 9 municipal insolvencies. Joe regularly serves clients in the commercial real estate, oil field services, manufacturing, energy and energy services, and oil and gas industries. He represents debtors, secured lenders, asset purchasers and other stakeholders in complex reorganization, commercial litigation and transaction matters.

Joe earned his law degree from the University of Houston Law Center and earned his undergraduate degree in Finance from the University of Texas at Austin. Joe is a frequent speaker and writer for continuing education seminars in the areas of Chapter 11 bankruptcy, business reorganization, real estate, small businesses, 363 sale agreements and insolvency law. When Joe is not practicing, writing or speaking on legal topics, he enjoys cycling and adventure travel, and is an active leader of the Jewish Community Center of Houston and the Hyde Park Civic Association.

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- Represented Fortune 100 strategic purchaser of substantially all assets of drilling tool manufacturer auctioned in 363 sale process
- Represented purchaser of all assets of specialty steel valve manufacturer under Chapter 11 plan
- Represented senior management in the Chapter 11 restructure of the business and financial operations of drill bit manufacturer
- Represented senior lender group in the sale of secured claims in Chapter 11 cases of refinery operation
- Represented strategic purchaser of substantially all assets of a global metal forging and specialty products business
- Represented specialty fuel and lubricant marketer in the purchase of Texas business operations of fuel and lubricant marketer in 363 sale transaction
- Represented Chapter 11 debtors in sale of assets and confirmation of reorganization plan and restructuring of debt of a regional competitive local exchange carrier and network infrastructure provider
- Represented senior management members with compensation and severance claims in Chapter 11 cases of a publicly listed offshore drilling company
- Represented senior lender in Chapter 11 cases of specialty skid manufacturing company



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EXPERTISE

Bankruptcy
Business Reorganization
Probate
Real Estate
Wills and Estates

EDUCATION

- J.D., University of Houston Law Center, 1988
- B.B.A., Finance, The University of Texas at Austin, 1985

LICENSURE & ADMISSIONS

- Supreme Court of Texas, 1988
- United States District and Bankruptcy Courts for the Southern, Northern, Eastern and Western Districts of Texas
- United States Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit

AWARDS & HONORS

- Chambers USA Guide to America, Bankruptcy/Restructuring, Chambers & Partners Publishing, 2010-2016
- Houston's Top Lawyers, H Texas, 2006, 2008, 2010, 2014
- The Best Lawyers in America, Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor, BL Rankings, 2007-2020

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS & ASSOCIATIONS

- American Bar Association (Business Law Section)
- State Bar of Texas (Business and Bankruptcy Law Sections)
- Houston Bar Association (Bankruptcy and Oil, Gas & Mineral Law Sections)