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Matt’s practice is focused on guiding clients through complex bankruptcy cases and out-of-court restructurings.



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Matt’s practice focuses on representing administrative agents and collateral agents in out-of-court restructurings and Chapter 11 cases. Matt’s practice also includes the representation of debtors, financial guarantors, indenture trustees, creditors and shareholders.

Prior to joining ArentFox Schiff, Matt worked as a judicial clerk to the Hon. Robert D. Drain, United States Bankruptcy Court, Southern District of New York, and the Hon. Mary Kay Vyskocil, United States Bankruptcy Court, Southern District of New York. He also served as an intern to the Hon. John K. Sherwood, United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of New Jersey.

Prior to law school, Matt served as a firefighter in the United States Air Force, Illinois Air National Guard.

Client Work

Matt’s client work includes:

- Representation of Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB as DIP Agent under the $4.4 billion DIP facility in the chapter 11 cases of First Brands Group and its affiliates.
- Representation of Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB as prepetition agent and DIP Agent under the $412,500,000 DIP facility in the chapter 11 cases of Del Monte Foods and its affiliates.
- Representation of Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB as prepetition agent and DIP Agent under the $400 million DIP facility in the chapter 11 cases of Ascend Performance Materials and its affiliates.
- Representation of GLAS USA LLC as Administrative Agent under the $324 million prepetition first lien facility and as DIP Agent under the $85 million DIP facility in the chapter 11 cases of Exactech, Inc. and its affiliates.
- Representation of Acquiom Agency Services LLC and Seaport Loan Products LLC as DIP Agents under the $160 million DIP facility in the chapter 11 cases of Mobileum, Inc. and its affiliates.
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Representation of Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB as DIP Agent under the $180 million DIP facility in the chapter 11 cases of Vyaire Medical, Inc. and its affiliates.

- Representation of Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB as DIP Agent under the $31.5 million DIP facility in the chapter 11 cases of Dynata, LLC and its affiliates.
- Representation of Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB as DIP Agent under the $215 million Term DIP facility in the chapter 11 cases of ConvergeOne Holdings, Inc. and its affiliates.
- Representation of Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB as Administrative Agent under the $658 million prepetition term loan facility and as DIP Agent under the $142 million DIP facility in the chapter 11 cases of Jo-Ann Fabrics and its affiliates.
- Representation of Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB as DIP Agent under the $360 million DIP facility in the chapter 11 cases of Thrasio Holdings, Inc. and its affiliates.
- Representation of Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB as Indenture Trustee in connection with $1.175 billion of unsecured notes in the chapter 11 cases of Invitae Corporation and its affiliates.
- Representation of GLAS Trust Company as Administrative Agent under the $695 million prepetition term loan facility and as DIP Agent under the $285 million junior DIP facility in the chapter 11 cases of Hornblower Holdings LLC and its affiliates.
- Representation of Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB as DIP Agent under the $150 million DIP facility in the chapter 11 cases of Cano Health, Inc. and its affiliates.
- Representation of Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB as DIP Agent under the $32 million DIP facility in the chapter 11 cases of Audacy, Inc. and its affiliates.
- Representation of Acquiom Agency Services LLC and Seaport Loan Products LLC as Co-Administrative Agents under the $1.78 billion prepetition secured term loan facility and as DIP Agents under the $250 million DIP facility in the chapter 11 cases of Mallinckrodt plc and its affiliates.
- Representation of Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB as administrative agent under the secured exit facilities in the chapter 11 cases of GTT Communications and its subsidiaries.
- Representation of CQS (UK), LLC in the chapter 11 cases of Talen Energy and its subsidiaries.
- Representation of UMB Bank as agent under Quorum Health's chapter 11 exit facility.
- Representation of Quabbin Capital in the Chapter 15 case of Universal Enterprises, Ltd.
- Representation of GPB Capital Holdings in the Insightra Medical, Inc. Chapter 11 case.

Publications

Matt's published works include:

- Co-author, "Must the Office of the United States Trustee Issue Refunds of Fees Collected Under the UST Fee Schedule the Supreme Court Determined Was Unconstitutional in Its 2022-2023 Term?" *American Bar Association Supreme Court Preview,* January 8, 2024
- Co-author, "The Landscape of Texas Two-Steps Post-LTL," *Norton Journal of Bankruptcy Law and Practice*, Vol. 32, Issue 2 (June 2023)
- Awarded, "Best of ABI 2022: The Year in Business Bankruptcy," *American Bankruptcy Institute, (*May 2023)
- Co-author, "After the Green Rush: Bankruptcy Alternatives for Restructuring Cannabis Businesses," *Cannabis Business Executive* (February 15, 2023)
- Co-author, "2nd Circ. Ruling Offers Ch. 11 Guidance In A Post-Siegel World," *Law360* (December 16, 2022)
- Co-author "Global Debt Crisis Fuels Instability in Emerging Markets," *ABI Journal*, Vol. 41 (December 2022)
- "The Texas Two-Step: a Problematic Reframing of the Bankruptcy Code Toolkit or an Equitable Solution for Productive Conglomerates and their Mass Tort Claimants?," *Norton Journal of Bankruptcy Law and Practice*, Vol. 31, Issue 2 (April 2022)
- "When the Music Stops: The Texas Two-Step and Forecasting Its Future Application," *ABI*

Professional Activities

Matt is a member of the:

- American Bankruptcy Institute
- Federal Bar Council

He also participates as a judge in the preliminary rounds of the annual Conrad B. Duberstein Bankruptcy Moot Court Competition and is a member of the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges (NCBJ) NextGen program.

Bar Admissions

New York
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Court Admissions

US District Court, Southern District of New York
US District Court, Northern District of Illinois