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Chris is an experienced business attorney who focuses on bankruptcies, business reorganizations and distressed transactions.

PRACTICE AREAS AND INDUSTRY TEAMS

- Bankruptcy and Restructuring

EXPERIENCE

- *In re: Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, et al.*, United States District Court for the District of Puerto Rico, Case No. 17-03283. Represents FGIC insurer of bonds issued by the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico and its agencies.
- *In re: Franchise Services of North America*, United States Bankruptcy for the Southern District of Mississippi, Case No. 17-02316. Represented the debtor, a holding company providing franchise services and insurance to the rental car industry, in its Chapter 11 case.
- *In re: Opus Management Group, et al.*, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Mississippi, Case No. 16-00288. Represented the debtors, 6 operating pharmacies and their management company in their jointly administered Chapter 11 cases.
- *In re: Mississippi Phosphates Corporation, et al.*, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Mississippi, Case No. 14-51667. Represented the debtor, a large fertilizer manufacturer in its Chapter 11 case.
- *In re: Natchez Regional Medical Center*, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Mississippi, Case No. 14-01048. Represented the debtor in connection with its Chapter 9 Bankruptcy proceeding, which included the sale of hospital through a confirmed Chapter 9 plan of adjustment.
- *In re: Simply Wheelz LLC, d/b/a Advantage Rent-a-Car*, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Mississippi, Case No. 13-03332-ee. Represented the Debtor, the fourth largest car rental company in the United States, in its Chapter 11 case. Certain assets of the Company are to be sold through a court-supervised 363 sales process. This was the first “large chapter 11 case” under the new United States Trustee guidelines that was filed outside of Delaware or the Southern District of New York.

- *In re: Pinnacle Restaurant Corporation*, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Mississippi, Case No. 13-03267-ee. Represented the Debtor in this chapter 11 case of a restaurant company that operates 17 Mazzio's Italian Eateries, 2 Ken's Pizza stores, and 1 Oliveto Italian Bistro in Mississippi and Texas.
- *In re: Piccadilly Restaurants, LLC*, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of Louisiana, Case No. 12-51127. Represented the largest trade creditor in this chapter 11 case of a restaurant and food service company with more than 60 restaurants and 80 food service locations all across the southeast.
- *In re: O&G Leasing, LLC, et al.*, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Mississippi, Case No. 10-01851-ee. Represented Indenture Trustee for Bondholders holding \$25,955,000 of Senior Debentures and \$7,610,000 of Subordinate Debentures in this chapter 11 case of a company which owns and operates five oil and gas drilling rigs. The case has been confirmed.
- *In re: CareCorps Management Company, LLC. et al.*, United States Bankruptcy Court for Northern District of Mississippi, Case No. 08-11728-DWH. Served as counsel for the Debtors in 13 jointly administered chapter 11 cases involving skilled nursing facilities and assisted living centers.
- *In re: Griffin Acceptance Corporation*, United States Bankruptcy Court for Southern District of Mississippi, Case No. 09-01513-ee. Represented Debtor in connection with the Chapter 11 bankruptcy of a retail business with eight stores in Mississippi and Arkansas.
- *In re: Lifestyle Furniture Company*, United States Bankruptcy Court for Northern District of Mississippi, Case No. 07-12127. Served as counsel for the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors in Chapter 11 bankruptcy involving a furniture manufacturing company.
- Part of team that served as debtors' counsel in jointly administered Chapter 11 reorganization cases of a publicly traded fertilizer and chemical manufacturer and its domestic subsidiaries.
- Representation of creditors in assertion of administrative, secured and other claims in bankruptcy proceedings.
- Representation of parties to business disputes in multiple proceedings administered by the American Arbitration Association.
- Representation of buyers and sellers in connection with transactions involving financially-distressed assets or entities.

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Mississippi, 2002
- Tennessee, 1999
- U.S. District Courts
 - Mississippi: Northern and Southern Districts
 - Tennessee: Middle District
- U.S. Court of Appeals
 - 5th Circuit

DISTINCTIONS

- Butler Snow Business Department Chair, 2016-2019
- Butler Snow Executive Committee, 2016-2018
- Butler Snow Equity Committee, 2013-2016
 - Chair, 2013-2014
- *Best Lawyers in America*®
 - Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law, 2013-2022
 - Lawyer of the Year, Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law (Jackson, Miss.), 2020
- *Super Lawyers*®
 - Mid-South Super Lawyers, Bankruptcy: Business, 2013-2020
 - Mid-South Rising Stars, Bankruptcy: Business, 2009-2012
- *Chambers USA, America's Leading Lawyers for Business*
 - Corporate/Commercial: Bankruptcy (Mississippi), 2014-2019
 - Bankruptcy/Restructuring (Mississippi), 2020-2021
- Member, Board of Directors of Mississippi Sports Hall of Fame and Museum
- Chair, Mississippi Bankruptcy Conference Annual Seminar, 2013
- President, Mississippi Bankruptcy Conference, 2020

ASSOCIATIONS

- American Bankruptcy Institute
- Mississippi Bar Association
- Capital Area Bar Association
- Tennessee Bar Association
- American Bar Association

EDUCATION & HONORS

- Vanderbilt University, J.D., 1999
- Vanderbilt University, B.S., Human and Organizational Development, 1996

PAPERS, PRESENTATIONS & PUBLICATIONS

- Co-Author, "Court Blocks Investor's Use of 'Golden Shares' to Prevent Bankruptcy Filing," *Journal of Corporate Renewal*, July-August 2020.