

Financial Restructuring

King & Spalding represents a broad range of clients in complex and high profile restructuring matters and in other situations involving financially distressed businesses. We are regularly retained in bankruptcy cases pending throughout the United States, including cases presenting multi-jurisdictional and cross-border issues. Our practice focuses on representing institutional lenders, alternative asset managers and other secured creditors, financially distressed borrowers/debtors, buyers of assets in connection with distressed M&A transactions, and parties in connection with insolvency-related litigation.

Working closely with our Finance, Private Equity, Healthcare, Energy and Capital Markets teams, our representations span a variety of industries, with particular emphasis on the retail, healthcare, energy, restaurant, hospitality, infrastructure, real estate, agriculture, manufacturing, media and telecommunications sectors.

Financially distressed companies must be as efficient as possible when working to restructure or reorganize their businesses. Advance planning, liability management analysis and a coordinated approach among specialists and stakeholders are critical components to any successful reorganization. We have handled financial restructurings on behalf of a variety of stakeholders, so we understand the varied perspectives, motivations and concerns from all sides of a transaction.

Our secured lender clients (including ad hoc groups of lenders) seek out the Financial Restructuring team to maximize their recoveries in connection with out-of-court workouts, formal in-court reorganizations, debtor-in-possession loans, Chapter 11 exit financings, and prepackaged and pre-arranged Chapter 11 plans. Our “one team” approach across practice areas allows us to provide a seamless and comprehensive client representation.

We are regularly retained to represent financially distressed businesses in connection with workouts, restructurings or

Capability Lawyers



W. Austin Jowers (Austin)
Atlanta

Recognition

Ranked Band 1 –
Bankruptcy/Restructuring in
Georgia

CHAMBERS 2022

Ranked Band 1 –
Bankruptcy/Restructuring:
Highly Regarded Nationwide

CHAMBERS 2022

Ranked Band 5 –
Bankruptcy/Restructuring in
New York

CHAMBERS 2022

Ranked National Tier 1 –
Bankruptcy and Creditor
Debtor Rights / Insolvency
and Reorganization Law

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FIRMS 2022

Ranked National Tier 3 –
Litigation: Bankruptcy

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FIRMS 2022

reorganizations, including portfolio company investments held by private equity firms and hedge funds. By working with other lawyers in the firm's Corporate, Finance and Investments (CFI) practice area, we are able to offer legal services throughout the lifecycle of a distressed company.

We frequently represent strategic and financial buyers of assets and businesses in Chapter 11 cases. We help our clients identify opportunities and navigate the complexities of these transactions by analyzing the circumstances and helping devise structures and approaches that maximize the likelihood of a successful deal.

We also represent litigants in contested matters, adversary proceedings and other bankruptcy and insolvency litigation involving creditors' rights, lender liability and alter ego liability.

Cases & Deals

June 7, 2024

King & Spalding Secures TRO for Leadenhall

May 20, 2024

King & Spalding Advises Red Lobster in One of 2024's Highest Profile Chapter 11 Bankruptcies

May 14, 2024

King & Spalding represents Cyrus One in a \$1.175 billion asset-backed securities offering

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Insights

NEWSLETTER

April 30, 2024

Lender Liability Quarterly – April 2024

ARTICLE

April 1, 2024

Navigating the Litigation Minefield When Exercising Proxy Rights

NEWSLETTER

March 28, 2024

Financial Services Focus – March 2024

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Events

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

June 6, 2024

Sebastian Kaufmann and Moritz Heidbuechel to Speak at EBS Executive School's Real Estate Investment & Finance Executive Program

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Ranked Tier 1 Atlanta –
Bankruptcy and Creditor
Debtor Rights / Insolvency
and Reorganization Law

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Ranked Tier 1 Atlanta –
Litigation: Bankruptcy

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Ranked Tier 2 New York –
Bankruptcy and Creditor
Debtor Rights / Insolvency
and Reorganization Law

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Ranked Band 1 –
Bankruptcy/Restructuring
Nationwide

CHAMBERS USA 2021

Ranked Band 1 –
Bankruptcy/Restructuring in
Georgia

CHAMBERS USA 2021

Ranked Band 5 –
Bankruptcy/Restructuring in
New York

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“King & Spalding is one of my favorite firms to work with. The lawyers are consummate professionals who always approach matters with a very calm manner.”

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“They have tremendous experience, they're extremely responsive and

May 9, 2024

Carolyn Alford, Jennifer Daly and Matthew Warren to Speak at the Private Credit Industry Conference on Direct Lending and Middle Market Finance

[SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT](#)

May 9, 2024

Michael Handler to Speak at the American Bankruptcy Institute's New York City Bankruptcy Conference

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News

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June 3, 2024

Sheel Patel discusses a recent liability management transaction in the private credit space

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May 22, 2024

Michael Handler explains why private lenders are finding it increasingly challenging to rescue distressed companies when interest rates are high

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May 20, 2024

Austin Jowers, Jeff Dutson, Sarah Primrose, Christopher Coleman, Brooke Bean, Taeyeong Kim and Michael Fishel advise Red Lobster on its Chapter 11 bankruptcy proceedings

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they're detailed in their approach."

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Ranked Tier 1 –
Restructuring and Insolvency
GA

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IL

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Ranked Tier 5 –
Restructuring and Insolvency
NY

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Ranked Tier 5 –
Restructuring and Insolvency
USA

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Ranked Tier 3 –
Restructuring and Insolvency
Singapore

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One individual notes that the team is "very well-connected, talented and versatile."

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Clients view them as "the top restructuring firm in the Atlanta market."

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One interviewee reports: "King & Spalding is a well-respected law firm with a deep bench of creditor clients."

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"There's a lot of creativity there," comments another, continuing: "They offer a personal service."

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Three of our bankruptcy lawyers are Fellows of the American College of Bankruptcy

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OF BANKRUPTCY

One of the most active bankruptcy law firms based on representations in active cases.

THE DEAL

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and Deal of the Year:
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