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



Practices

[Bankruptcy & Financial Restructuring](#)
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Education

St. John's University School of Law, LLM,
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Matthew's practice includes the representation of debtors, financial guarantors, indenture trustees, creditors and shareholders in Chapter 11 cases and out-of-court restructurings.

Prior to joining ArentFox Schiff, Matthew 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, Matthew served as a firefighter in the United States Air Force, Illinois Air National Guard.

Client Work

Matthew's client work includes:

- Represents 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.
- Represents Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB as administrative agent under the secured exit facilities in the chapter 11 cases of GTT Communications and its subsidiaries.
- Represents CQS (UK), LLC in the chapter 11 cases of Talen Energy and its subsidiaries.
- Represents 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 Insigntra Medical, Inc. Chapter 11 case.

Publications

Matthew's published works include:

- 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 Journal*, Vol. 12 (December 2021)

Professional Activities

Matthew 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.

Bar Admissions

[New York](#)

Court Admissions

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