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#### **Profile**

Esteban concentrates his practice in the areas of business restructuring, creditors' rights and bankruptcy. He works on a wide variety of matters, including representing clients in Chapter 11 reorganizations, Section 363 sales, Chapter 7 liquidations and out-of-court workouts.

Prior to joining Bond, Esteban served as a Judicial Law Clerk to the Honorable Patrick G. Radel at the U.S. Bankruptcy Court of the Northern District of New York, where he managed a high volume of bankruptcy cases, drafted judicial opinions and court orders and prepared continuing legal education materials. Prior to this, he clerked at Shaw Legal Services, Ltd. in Chicago, supporting attorneys in civil matters through legal research, brief drafting and client communications. He also served as a Law Clerk for the Chicago Board of Education, representing the Board in administrative hearings and managing a caseload of employee discipline matters. As a Rule 711 Licensed Law Clerk with the Cook County State's Attorney's Office, Esteban conducted bench trials and received the Law Clerk Award at the El Humanitario Awards in 2022. Earlier, he was a Legal Extern at the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of the U.S. Trustee, investigating bankruptcy fraud and drafting referrals to the Criminal Division and a Judicial Extern to the Honorable LaShonda A. Hunt at the U.S. Bankruptcy Court of the Northern District of Illinois. His legal journey began as an AmeriCorps member with Illinois Justice Corps, assisting pro se litigants at Chicago's Daley Center courthouse.

### **Honors & Affiliations**

- Chicago-Kent College of Law
  - Notre Dame National Appellate Advocacy Tournament for Religious Freedom: Best Brief Award and Semifinalist (Fall 2021)
  - o Employee Rights and Employment Policy Journal, Editor, 2022-2023
  - o Awarded Commitment to Public Service Certificate, May 2022
  - Bankruptcy, Insolvency, and Restructuring Association: Vice President 2022-2023
  - Hispanic Latinx Law Student Association: Bar Rep. 2022-2023, 2L Rep. 2021-2022, 1L Rep. 2020-2021
  - Student Bar Association: 1L Rep. 2020-2021, served on Student Diversity and School Relations Committees

### **Education**

- Chicago-Kent College of Law (J.D. 2023)
- University of Illinois at Chicago (B.A., magna cum laude, 2018)

## **Bar/Court Admissions**

- Illinois
- \*Not Admitted to Practice in New York

## **Practices**

 Business Restructuring, Creditors' Rights and Bankruptcy