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Profile

Sara is a business restructuring, creditors' rights and bankruptcy attorney who concentrates her practice in a wide range of business restructuring and bankruptcy matters, including out-of-court workouts, cross-border insolvency cases and representations of debtors, creditors, landlords, lenders and purchasers in cases filed under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code.

She also advises senior managers and boards of directors of financially troubled companies with respect to restructuring strategies.

Representative Matters

- Representation of secured prepetition lenders in a resort chapter 11 case
- Representation of a creditors' committee in the chapter 11 case of an ethanol facility
- Representations of claimants and defendants in cross-border insolvency cases and ancillary cases filed under chapter 15 of the Bankruptcy Code
- Representation of national footwear retail chain in its chapter 11 proceeding, including the sale and assignment of retail leases and litigation of complex trademark matters
- Representation of hospital, nursing home and adult residence debtors in chapter 11 proceedings
- Representation of creditors and executory contract counterparties in complex bankruptcy litigation
- Representation of a secured creditor and real property owner in a chapter 11 case of a cogeneration facility
- Representation of landlords in national retailer chapter 11 cases
- Representation of purchasers in bankruptcy section 363 sales
- Representation of a chapter 11 debtor involved in mass tort litigation through a sale process
- Representation of a not for profit in a HUD loan restructuring and follow up compliance action
- Representation of not for profit corporations in out of court restructurings, dissolutions and chapter 11 proceedings
- Representation of judgment creditors in chapter 11 proceedings

Education

- University of Pennsylvania Law School (J.D. 2003)
- Wellesley College (B.A., *cum laude*, 2000)

Bar/Court Admissions

- New York
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit
- U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of New York
- U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York
- U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of New York
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of New York
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York
- U.S. District Court for the Western District of New York

Practices

- Business Restructuring, Creditors' Rights and Bankruptcy
- Financial Institutions Regulatory

- Representation of a factoring company in a contractor chapter 11 case involving construction lien law
- Representation of insolvent property owners in tax assessment proceedings
- Representation of purchaser of commercial real property abroad from chapter 11 debtor

**Certain of these matters were handled by Sara prior to her joining Bond.*

Honors & Affiliations

- Listed in:
 - *The Best Lawyers in America*®, Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law, 2023-2025
 - *New York Super Lawyers*®, Bankruptcy: Business, 2023-2024
 - Upstate New York Rising Star, Bankruptcy: Business, 2018
 - *Martindale-Hubbell*®, AV Preeminent Rated
- United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of New York, Local Rules Committee
- IWIRC NY Shining Star, 2017
- Syracuse *40 Under 40* Honoree, 2015

Representative Presentations

- Mediating Mass-Tort Multiparty Matters: The Four Ms, ABI Annual Winter Leadership Conference, December 9, 2022
- Supply Chain Disruptions, Mid-Atlantic Bankruptcy Workshop, August 5, 2022
- Trends in Chapter 11 Cases, Including Release and Common Controversial Plan Provisions, and Small Business and Subchapter V Subchapter V Trustee, 18th Annual WNY Bankruptcy Conference, June 8, 2022
- Transcript Withholding Compliance Webinar, Commission on Independent Colleges and Universities, May 26, 2022
- COVID-19 @ Work: Straight Talk Series - Session V: Bankruptcy in the U.S., Employment Law Alliance, May 28, 2020
- Panel Member, Ethics: Have I Gone Too Far?, American Bankruptcy Institute 13th Annual Mid-Atlantic Conference, August 3-5, 2017
- Sterling Education Services, Inc., Landlord Tenant Law Seminar Bankruptcy Issues, 2013
- Bankruptcy Law Update, Bond In-House Counsel CLE Series, April 2010
- Bankruptcy Issues, New York State Bar Association Practical Skills Seminar, Collections and the Enforcement of Money Judgments, 2007

Representative Publications

- "Dynergy Parent Forced Into Bankruptcy," *Bond Bankruptcy Report*, July 17, 2012
- "Subtenant Rights - Bankruptcy Court Takes a Practical Approach in Friendly Ice Cream Case," *Bond Bankruptcy Report*, May 22, 2012

- "American Airlines Unions Seek Bankruptcy Court Intervention," *Bond Bankruptcy Report*, May 14, 2012
- "Nondebtor Releases Permitted," *Weil Gotshal & Manges Bankruptcy Bulletin*, August 2006
- "No Private Right of Action Permitted Against Oversecured Lenders to Remedy Violations of Section 506(b)," *Weil Gotshal & Manges Bankruptcy Bulletin*, Vol. 12, No. 9, September 2005

Other Activities

- Board Member and Treasurer, Jewish Community Center of Syracuse
- Advisory Committee Member, American Bankruptcy Institute Mid-Atlantic
- Local Rules Committee Member, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of New York