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Evan concentrates his practice on corporate reorganizations and related complex litigation in national and cross-border matters. He frequently represents foreign representatives in Chapter 15 proceedings, creditors' committees, secured creditors, indenture trustees, executory contract parties, and other key parties in interest. He routinely publishes and speaks on bankruptcy topics, including the model laws promulgated by UNCITRAL's Working Group V as well as the causes of retail insolvencies around the world.

Select Engagements

- *In re Gamida Cell (D. Del.)* Counsel to Debtor and Foreign Representative in Company's global restructuring through the novel use of debt arrangement proceeding in Israel, combined with a Chapter 15 proceeding. Additionally, represented the Company's wholly-owned subsidiary in a 9-day prepackaged chapter 11 proceeding.
- *In re Superior Energy (S.D. Tx.)* Counsel to Indenture trustee in Chapter 11 case of a leading oilfield services company with debt in excess of \$1.3 billion. (Texas)
- *In re Alta Mesa Resources Inc. (S.D. Tx.)* Indenture trustee in Chapter 11 case of an independent energy company engaged in the development, acquisition, exploration and production of oil and natural gas properties. (Texas)
- *In re BCBG Max Azria Global Holdings LLC (S.D.N.Y.)* Representation of a trade creditor and trademark licensee in connection with a manufacturing and distribution license agreement of women's apparel.
- *In re Aeropostale Inc. (S.D.N.Y.)* Counsel to trade creditor and member of creditors' committee in the bankruptcy case of teen apparel chain.

- *In re Sears Holdings Corporation, et al.* (S.D.N.Y.) Counsel to South Korean clothing manufacturer.
- *In re Sergey Petrovich Poymanov* (S.D.N.Y.) Counsel to Receiver and Foreign Representative of Sergey Poymanov, the former controlling shareholder of Pavlovskgranit, in connection with a Chapter 15 case ancillary to Mr. Poymanov's Russian insolvency proceeding and litigation of "reiderstvo" claims.
- *In re Foreign Economic Industrial Bank Limited, "Vneshprombank" Ltd.* (S.D.N.Y.) Counsel to Foreign Representative and Trustee of Vneshprombank in connection with a Chapter 15 case ancillary to a Russian Insolvency Proceeding.
- *In re Kaiser Gypsum Company, Inc., at al.* (W.D.N.C.) Representation of the creditors' committee of gypsum manufacturer in channeling 14,000 asbestos related actions to a 524(g) trust and resolving in excess of \$300 million in environmental liability.
- *In re WYNIT Distribution, LLC, et al.* (Bankr. D. MN) Representation of a consignor to a wholesale distributor of technology products.
- *In re Motors Liquidation Company f/k/a General Motors Corp.* (S.D.N.Y.) Representation of the GUC Trust (created pursuant to the Chapter 11 plan confirmed), in litigation against a number of hedge funds, seeking equitable subordination, disallowance of claims and other relief.
- *In re Motors Liquidation Company f/k/a General Motors Corp.* (S.D.N.Y.) Representation of the Avoidance Action Trust (created pursuant to the Chapter 11 plan confirmed), in the prosecution of a \$1.5 billion avoidance action against lenders to a term loan.
- *In re RDA Holdings* (S.D.N.Y.) Representation of Direct Entertainment Media Group, Inc. (DEMG) as co-counsel in jointly administered Chapter 11 cases filed by RDA Holding Co., The Reader's Digest Association, Inc., DEMG, and other affiliated debtors and debtors in possession.
- *In re TLO, LLC* (S.D. Fla.) Represented significant equity holders in connection with the successful recharacterization of approximately \$30 million of debt as equity.
- *In re Corporate Resource Services, Inc.* (D. Del. & S.D.N.Y.) Represented an ad-hoc committee of unsecured creditors.
- *In re Loehmann's Holdings, Inc., et al.* (S.D.N.Y.) Represented Law Debenture Trust Company of New York as the administrative agent and collateral agent under the second and third lien credit facilities.
- *In re Noble Logistics, Inc.* (Bankr. D. Del.) Counsel to debtor-in-possession lender and asset purchaser of certain of the debtor's assets through a section 363 sale.

Admissions

- New Jersey
- U.S. District Court - New Jersey
- New York
- U.S. District Court - Eastern District of New York
- U.S. District Court - Southern District of New York

Education

- Emory University, BBA
- St. John's University School of Law, JD, cum laude

Recognitions

- 2022, Young Practitioner Spotlight, listed in *INSOL World*
- 2022, 40 Under 40 Award, by *Global Restructuring Review*
- 2019, 40 Under 40 Award, by the American Bankruptcy Institute
- 2014–2018, New York Metro “Rising Star” in Bankruptcy, listed in *Super Lawyers*

Professional Activities

Evan is an Adjunct Professor at St. John’s University School of Law and a member of its Alumni Association. Additionally, Evan is a member of the American Bankruptcy Institute and its Law Review Alumni Association.

In 2023, Evan was appointed the co-chair of the U.S./Canada/Caribbean Regional Committee for the International Insolvency Institute (“III”). Evan was invited to join the III in 2022. The III is a limited, invitation-only, global membership of leading professionals, scholars, and judges with proficiency in international insolvency law. He was selected in 2021 to serve as the Chairperson for the III’s NextGen Leadership Program (NextGen Class VII) program, after being inducted into the program in 2018 and serving on the Executive Committee in 2020.

Since 2022, Evan has served as an III Delegate to United Nations Commission on International Trade Law’s Working Group V (Insolvency).

In 2021, Evan was selected by the Chief Judge for the Bankruptcy Court as Vice Chair of the Chapter 11 Lawyers’ Advisory Committee for the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of New York.

In 2019, he was selected to the American Bankruptcy Institute's 40 Under 40 Program and in 2022 was selected as part of the Global Restructuring Review's 40 Under 40 and INSOL International's Young Practitioner Spotlight. Evan routinely publishes and speaks on bankruptcy topics, including the causes of retail insolvencies around the world and UNCITRAL Model Laws.