

Martha L. Smith



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INDUSTRIES

Real Estate
Banking/Finance
Energy Transactions

PRACTICE AREAS

Real Estate
Bankruptcy/Restructuring
Banking/Finance

EDUCATION

JD, 1993, The
University of Texas
School of Law
BA, English, *cum laude*,
1990, Washington &
Lee University

ADMITTED

Texas 1993

Marty's practice includes a broad range of private financing transactions, including both secured and unsecured, investment-grade loans. Her practice involves representation of both lending institutions and borrowers in commercial financing transactions and includes syndicated and structured finance transactions as well as workouts and restructuring of such transactions.

Marty has experience documenting and negotiating loans secured by many different types of assets, including commercial, energy and real estate assets. She also has handled mezzanine financing deals secured by both personal and real property and is familiar with the unique structuring aspects involved in mezzanine transactions.

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Counsel to JPMorgan Chase N.A., as administrative agent on \$100,000,000 syndicated credit facility to Benchmark Electronics, Inc.
- Counsel to JPMorgan Chase, N.A., as administrative agent and floor plan agent on \$800,000,000 syndicated floor plan and acquisition facility to Asbury Automotive Group, Inc.
- Counsel to JPMorgan Chase, N.A., as administrative agent on \$1 billion syndicated floor plan and acquisition facility to Group 1 Automotive, Inc.
- Counsel to General Electric Capital Corporation in connection with its mezzanine debt portfolio including originations and workouts in connection with existing portfolio.
- Counsel to Wachovia Securities, Inc. as administrative agent on \$1.2 billion acquisition bridge facility to Enterprise Products Operating L.P.
- Counsel to hedge fund on mezzanine acquisition term loan to a major Texas homebuilder, secured by real estate inventory throughout the state.

PROFESSIONAL/CIVIC AFFILIATIONS

Member

- The State Bar of Texas
- American Bar Association
- Houston Bar Association

Listed - Texas Rising Star, Texas Monthly magazine (2006-2008)

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HEADLINE NEWS

- Andrews Kurth Announces Policy Committee Election (August 28, 2008)
- Andrews Kurth Announces Policy Committee Election (August 16, 2007)