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OVERVIEW

David Neu is a partner in the firm's Seattle office, where he practices in the area of insolvency and creditor/debtor rights. In his practice, David represents debtors, trustees, committees and asset-purchasers in Chapter 11 bankruptcy proceedings and bankruptcy-related litigation as well as creditors in Chapter 11, 7, and 13 proceedings. He also frequently represents receivers and creditors in state-court receivership actions, and both lenders and borrowers in out-of-court workout negotiations and foreclosure proceedings.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Prior to joining the firm, David was an investment wholesaler for SAFECO Investment Company and SAFECO Life Company. He was also a summer associate at the firm in 2001.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Ranked in *Chambers USA*, Bankruptcy/Restructuring (2012-2020)
- Selected to the Washington *Super Lawyers* List, Rising Star (2005-2007, 2009-2012)
- Named the *Best Lawyers*® 2020 Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law "Lawyer of the Year" for the Seattle, WA region
- Listed in *The Best Lawyers in America*, Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights Law/Insolvency and Reorganization Law, 2018-2021

PROFESSIONAL / CIVIC ACTIVITIES

- President, Turnaround Management Association, Northwest Chapter, 2019
- Board of Directors, CENTS
- Bankruptcy Bar Committee Co-Chair, Federal Bar Association of Western Washington
- Member, American Bar Association

- Member, King County Bar Association
- Former president, Bankruptcy Law Section, King County Bar Association
- Ninth Circuit Lawyer Representative

EDUCATION

- J.D., Seattle University School of Law, 2002 *summa cum laude*, *Presidential Law Scholar*, *Research and Technical Editor Seattle University Law Review*
- M.S., Auburn University, 1995 *Fisheries Biology*, *Gamma Sigma Delta Honor Society*
- B.A., Tulane University, 1993 *Biology*

ADMISSIONS

- Bar of Washington
- United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Washington
- United States Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of Washington
- United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of Washington
- United States District Court for the Western District of Washington

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP POWERED BY HUB

- 19 May 2021, *Litigation Minute: Bankruptcy Issues for Vendors and Other Contractual Counterparties (Alerts/Updates)*
- 28 November 2018, *Distressed Solutions: The Ins and Outs of Receiverships (Podcast)*

NEWS & EVENTS

- 19 August 2021, *Nearly 300 K&L Gates Lawyers Named Among 2022 Best Lawyers in America, Ones to Watch (Rankings & Recognitions)*
- 23 April 2020, *K&L Gates, Lawyers Recognized in 2020 Chambers USA Guide (Rankings & Recognitions)*
- 26 April 2019, *Chambers USA 2019 Guide Ranks K&L Gates, Lawyers Among Leaders (Press Release)*
- 23 June 2016, *K&L Gates, Lawyers Recognized as Leaders in Chambers USA 2016 Guide (Press Release)*
- 20 May 2015, *Chambers USA 2015 Guide Recognizes K&L Gates, Lawyers as Industry Leaders (Press Release)*

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Restructuring and Insolvency
- Complex Commercial Litigation and Disputes

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Court appointed Examiner in In re Archer USA, Inc., United States Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of Washington
- Representation of Creditors Committee in Trident Water Works
- Representation of Nichols Brothers Boat Builders, Inc. in its Chapter 11 reorganization and court approved sale of its business
- Representation of Entranco, Inc. in its Chapter 11 reorganization and court approved sale of its business
- Representation of primary secured lender in bankruptcy of Chelsea Investment, Inc.
- Representation of Metawave Communications, Inc. in its Chapter 11 liquidation
- Representation of H.E. Mills Electric Company in its Chapter 11 case
- Representation of the Official Unsecured Creditors Committee in the Chapter 11 reorganization of Saigene Corporation
- Representation of Mark Calvert, Chapter 11 Trustee of Northwest Territorial Mint LLC
- Representation of Debtor in Coast Crane Company Chapter 11 liquidation
- Representation of the Port of Bellingham in the Olympic Boats bankruptcy
- Representation of Mark Calvert, Chapter 11 Trustee of the Meridian Mortgage Investment Funds
- Representation of the Post-Confirmation Creditors' Committee in the Chapter 11 proceeding of Lawrence Kates
- Representation of Creditors Committee of Liquidation Outlet, Inc.
- Representation of Lone Tree Point Seafood Company in its Chapter 11 case