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OVERVIEW

Benay Lizarazu is a partner in the firm's Finance practice. She has extensive experience representing insurance companies, other institutional investors, banks, private equity sponsors and public and private corporate borrowers as lenders or borrowers in a broad range of middle market debt finance transactions, including leveraged acquisition financings, fund financings, corporate borrowings, loan workouts and restructurings. Her experience includes the structuring, negotiation and documentation of a variety of complex debt instruments, including senior secured, second lien, unitranche, mezzanine and other subordinated debt instruments.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Prior to joining K&L Gates, Benay was an attorney at an international law firm where her practice focused on corporate and real estate finance.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Named to "Top 22 in 2022: Women in Leveraged Finance," Kayo Conference Series, 2022

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Kayo Southeast Women's Finance Forum, Moderator, October 2021
- Credit Agreements, January 2017
- Introduction to Commercial Lending and Leveraged Finance Transactions, October 2015
- Inaugural Symposium on Careers in Corporate/Finance Law Panel, Georgetown Law, April 2015

EDUCATION

- J.D., Washington University School of Law, 1998 *(Washington University Journal of Urban and Contemporary Law)*

- B.A., Tulane University, 1995 *(cum laude)*

ADMISSIONS

- Bar of Florida
- Bar of North Carolina

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP *POWERED BY HUB*

- February 2022, February 2022 Accolades
- September 2021, September 2021 Accolades
- 15 June 2020, COVID-19: Federal Reserve Board Expands Terms and Conditions of Main Street Lending Program to Improve Accessibility to Small and Medium-sized Businesses
- 2 June 2020, COVID-19: Federal Reserve Bank Releases Update on the Main Street Lending Program
- 10 April 2020, COVID-19: Analysis of Federal Reserve "Main Street" Liquidity Program

NEWS & EVENTS

- 9-12 October 2021, National Summit for Middle Market Funds, hosted by the Small Business Investor Alliance
- 8 June 2017, K&L Gates Advises Salem Media Group on Senior Secured Notes Offering and Concurrent Asset-Based Revolver

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Corporate and Acquisition Finance
- Debt Capital Markets

INDUSTRIES

- Financial Services
- Private Credit

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Represented MDxHealth SA (NASDAQ: MDXH), and its subsidiaries, in connection with a cross-border senior secured term loan facility in an amount of up to US$100 million provided by affiliates of OrbiMed Advisors LLC, a New York, New York-based investment firm. A warrant for ordinary shares was also issued to

MDxHealth in connection with the loan transaction. MDxHealth is a provider of molecular diagnostic tests for prostate cancer and other urologic diseases.