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Overview

Clay Taylor represents secured creditors, debtors, committees of unsecured creditors, Chapter 11 trustees, liquidating trustees, and other parties in a wide range of bankruptcy and restructuring matters, bringing extensive experience managing asset acquisitions, divestitures, financings, and restructurings to create beneficial outcomes for clients.

A full-service advocate, Clay advises on strategic options, conducts thorough due diligence, and negotiates and documents transactions, financings, restructurings, and asset or equity sales specific to short- and long-term legal and business objectives. His high adaptability allows him to serve clients across diverse industries, including retail, manufacturing, banking, real estate, aviation, construction, oil and gas, and energy.

Equipped to handle disputes through litigation or negotiation, Clay has significant experience representing clients in debtor / creditor conflicts, financial services matters, and commercial disputes before federal and state courts.

Education

- Pepperdine University School of Law, 2001 (J.D.)
- Texas A&M University, 1997 (B.B.A.), *cum laude*

Bar Admissions

- Texas

Court Admissions

- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Texas

- U.S. District Court for the Western District of Texas

Distinctions

- *The Legal 500*, Restructuring (including Bankruptcy): Corporate, 2025
- *Texas Super Lawyers*, 2013-present
- *Fort Worth Magazine*, Top Attorney, 2008, 2012-present
- *Texas Super Lawyers*, Rising Star, 2008-2011

Memberships

- John C. Ford Inn of Court
- American Bankruptcy Institute
- Dallas Bankruptcy Bar Association
- Texas Bankruptcy Bar Section
- Tarrant County Bar Association, Bankruptcy Section, Former President