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Craig began private practice in 1989 and concentrates primarily in the commercial transactions area with a focus on mergers and acquisitions and the use of Delaware entities, including structuring complex commercial transactions and rendering legal opinions with respect to business entities, transactional issues, and tax matters. Craig is also a member of the committee of the Delaware State Bar Association responsible for proposing amendments to the Delaware Limited Liability Company Act, the Delaware Revised Uniform Limited Partnership Act, and the Delaware Revised Uniform Partnership Act. He received his B.S.B.A. from Georgetown University and his J.D. from Georgetown University Law Center. He is admitted to practice in Delaware and Pennsylvania and before the United States Tax Court.

Practices

- Business Transactions
- Entity Formation and Governance
- Legal Opinions
- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Secured Transactions
- Tax, Trusts and Estates

Education

- Georgetown University Law Center (J.D.)
- Georgetown University (B.S.B.A.)

Bar Admissions

- Delaware
- Pennsylvania

Court Admissions

- U.S. Tax Court

Distinctions

- *The Best Lawyers in America*®, Corporate Law, 2019

Memberships and Affiliations

- Delaware State Bar Association, Tax Section, Past Chairman; Subcommittee on Alternative Entities, Member

Experience

Radnor Holdings Corporation

Young Conaway served as co-counsel to Weyerheuser Company, defendant in an adversary proceeding commenced by Radnor Holdings Corporation in its chapter 11 case pending before the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware.

Indalex Holdings

Young Conaway acted as lead counsel to Indalex Holdings Finance, Inc. and certain of its affiliates in its chapter 11 proceeding in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware. The Debtors were the second largest aluminum extruder and the largest independent extruder, in the United States and Canada. With the assistance of Young Conaway, the Debtors successfully sold substantially all of their assets in a 363 sale.

American Fibers and Yarns Company

Young Conaway acted as lead counsel to American Fibre & Yarns and certain of its subsidiaries, the largest supplier of solution-dyed Polypropylene filament yarns, in their chapter 11 case in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware. With the assistance of Young Conaway, the Debtors received approval for the sale substantially all of their assets to Maynards Industries (1991) Inc. for a purchase price of \$1,550,000.

In re Monarch Holdings, Inc.

At the time that it commenced its Chapter 11 cases in 2008, Monarch and its affiliates collectively constituted one of the nation's leading providers of fenestration products and services for the residential and commercial housing market. In the midst of one of the worst housing markets in decades, Young Conaway was able to lead Monarch's successful efforts to consummate a sale of substantially all of its operating assets as a going concern pursuant to section 363 of the Bankruptcy Code.

American Home Mortgage Holdings Inc.

Young Conaway served as lead counsel to American Home Mortgage Holdings, Inc. and certain of its affiliates, in their chapter 11 proceeding in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware. Prior to the bankruptcy filing, the Debtors had engaged in the origination of residential mortgage loans through their retail business and their indirect business. The Debtors' intention was to sell many of the loans they originated, either by transfer into securitization transactions or through whole loan sales to institutional purchasers. With Young

Conaway's guidance, the Debtors successfully confirmed their chapter 11 plan of liquidation and emerged from bankruptcy protection in 2010.

Publications

March 1, 2006

Delaware Transactional & Corporate Law Update, Spring 2006

December 1, 2005

Delaware Transactional & Corporate Law Update, Winter 2005

March 1, 2005

Delaware Transactional & Corporate Law Update, Spring 2005

Events

November 14, 2018

"Where to Incorporate: Comparing PA, DE & NJ," Partners Craig Gear and Jim Hughes Lead Panel Discussion

July 17, 2014

Pennsylvania Bar Institute's Forum on Business Considerations for Creating Entities in DE, PA and NJ

News

August 15, 2018

42 Young Conaway Lawyers Recognized by Best Lawyers in America, with 4 Attorneys Further Recognized as Lawyers of the Year (Wilmington, DE)

August 15, 2017

41 Young Conaway Attorneys Named in The Best Lawyers In America and Three Attorneys Receive Additional Specialty Recognition as Lawyer of the Year (Wilmington, DE)

August 17, 2015

36 Young Conaway Attorneys Named In 2016 Best Lawyers in America

March 7, 2014

Young Conaway Honored at 6th Annual International M&A Advisor Awards

January 23, 2014

Young Conaway Winner at upcoming 8th Annual M&A Advisor Turnaround Awards



August 16, 2013

36 Young Conaway Attorneys Named Best Lawyers in America 2014

October 31, 2012

Delaware Today Names 14 YCST as “Top Lawyers” – The Most of Any Firm!