



Joseph M. Barry

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When a bankruptcy is especially difficult - when the level of distress is especially severe or the acrimony particularly toxic - Joe Barry brings a strategic sensibility and creative approach to the proceedings. Known for his innovative approaches to the most challenging restructuring problems, clients seek Joe's counsel when more traditional solutions are deemed inadequate.

As co-chairman of Young Conaway's Bankruptcy and Restructuring Group, Joe represents debtors, lenders, purchasers, committees and creditors in both in-court and out-of court restructurings from Young Conaway's offices in Wilmington, Delaware and New York City.

FOCUS:

- All aspects of in-court and out-of-court corporate restructuring processes, including debtors, official committees, foreign representatives, lenders, secured and unsecured creditors, ad hoc groups and purchasers
- Industries include energy, retail, health care, banking, telecommunications, real estate, insurance, hospitality, aviation, textile, logistics, automotive, logistics and transportation and manufacturing industries

RECOGNITIONS:

Joe and his work have been consistently recognized by most ranking systems in the field of corporate restructuring and bankruptcy, including, *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business*, *The Best Lawyers in America*®, *The M&A Advisor*, *Global Restructuring Review*, *The Deal* and *Turnarounds & Workouts*.

Practices

- Debtor/Corporate Restructuring
- Committee Practice
- Portfolio Company Specialty Group

Education

- Syracuse University College of Law (J.D., *cum laude*)
- St. John Fisher College (B.A.)

Bar Admissions

- Delaware
- New York

Court Admissions

- U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York
- U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of New York
- U.S. Supreme Court

Distinctions

- Recognized by *The Best Lawyers in America*® for his “high caliber of work in the practice area[s] of Bankruptcy”
- Named “Forty Under Forty Recognition Award” finalist presented by *The M&A Advisor* to “recognize the emerging industry leaders” who were “chosen for their accomplishments and expertise”
- Named a “Top Bankruptcy Lawyer” by *The Deal*
- “Name to Know in Delaware” by *Global Restructuring Review*
- Recipient of *Global Restructuring Review*’s 2017 Innovation in Cross-Border Insolvency and Restructuring Award for the firm’s role in the team that reorganized Metinvest
- Named in 2011 as an “Outstanding Young Restructuring Lawyer” by *Turnaround & Workouts* – the first Delaware attorney to receive that distinction, and one of only twelve restructuring lawyers named nationwide
- Recognized — with the restructuring team for Altegrity, Inc. and its affiliates — as participant in 2016 Pre-Packaged Restructuring of the Year by the *Turnaround Atlas Awards*
- In 2015, represented North American Bancard as the purchaser of substantially all of the debtor’s assets in *In re: Phoenix Payment Systems, Inc.* which was named by *The M&A Advisor* as the Distressed M&A Deal of the Year and was named the Special Situation M&A Deal of the Year by the *Turnaround Atlas Awards*
- In 2014, led a restructuring team lead that was awarded The Turnaround Atlas Award by *The Global M&A Network* in the Real Estate & Services category for the successful restructuring of The PMI Group
- Key member of the Eastman Kodak restructuring team that was honored by *The Turnaround Management Association* as the 2014 Mega-Company Turnaround of the Year
- Lead partner in the *In re Trade Secret, Inc.* chapter 11 bankruptcy case, which was awarded *The M&A Advisor*’s Turnaround of the Year Award in the consumer and retail products sector

Memberships and Affiliations

- Vice-Chair, Delaware State Bar Association, Commercial Bankruptcy Law Section
- Board of Directors, Turnaround Management Association, Philadelphia-Wilmington Chapter
- American Bankruptcy Institute
 - Member, ABI Ethics and Professional Compensation and Business Reorganization Committees
- Bar Association of the Third Federal Circuit
- Board of Directors, Justinian Order, St. John Fisher College
- American Bar Association, Business Law Section, Litigation Section
- INSOL International
- Federal Bar Association

Clerkships

- Honorable Stephen D. Gerling, (Ret.) Chief Judge, U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of New York