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PRACTICE AREAS

- Troubled Assets
- Finance
- Bankruptcy and Restructuring

INDUSTRIES

- Climate Change and Clean Technology
- Financial Services
- Technology

OVERVIEW

Margaret Mann is a partner in the Finance and Bankruptcy Practice Group in the firm's San Diego Office.

Areas of Practice

Ms. Mann has been involved in commercial litigation and bankruptcy law since 1981. She has significant experience in large, complex domestic and international insolvency proceedings on behalf of creditors, fiduciaries, borrowers and other interested parties, with expertise in the capital markets and tax credit syndication industries. Ms. Mann is a Fellow of the American College of Bankruptcy and is listed in Best Lawyers in America, Best Lawyers in San Diego and Southern California Super Lawyers. She has been interviewed regarding bankruptcy and financial matters by NBC, the San Diego Union, the San Diego Transcript, the California Daily Journal and the Dow Jones Report. She authored a part of the California anti-deficiency legislation and has presented programs at the University of California San Diego and San Diego State University on financial matters.

Prior to joining Sheppard Mullin, Ms. Mann was a partner at Heller Ehrman. She was Chair of Heller Ehrman's Restructuring and Insolvency Practice and was the firm's National Hiring Chair. Prior to joining Heller Ehrman, Ms. Mann was a partner in a prominent San Diego law firm. She was the chair of the firm's Commercial Finance and Insolvency practice group and a member of the Executive Committee.

EDUCATION

- J.D., University of Southern California Law Center, 1981, Hale Moot Court Honors Program; Editor, 1980
- B.A., Finance, University of Illinois, 1978, *with distinction*, Tilburg School of Economics, The Netherlands, 1978

ADMISSIONS

- California

EXPERIENCE

Representative Engagements

- *In re: Lehman Brothers Holdings, Inc.* (represented indenture trustee).
- *In re: Mortgages Limited* (represented major creditor in settlement).
- *In re: First Magnus* (represented agent bank).

- Enforced rights for major tax credit syndicator in *In re: 500 West Broadway* and *In re St Casimir Development LLP*
- *In re: Magis Networks* (debtor's counsel in wireless video Chapter 11 with technology sold in 45 days).
- *In re: PinnFund* (represented preference recipient and obtained \$4 million summary judgment).
- *Commercial Money Center* (creditor counsel in \$400 million failed pooled investment fund).
- *In re Cimm's, Inc. Consolidated Case* (debtors' counsel in \$100 million franchise case, successfully reorganized in one year).
- *In re San Diego Symphony* (debtors' counsel).
- *People's Choice Home Loan, Inc.* (CD Cal.) (represent repo participant with in excess of \$350 million outstanding in subprime loan originators' Chapter 11 case).
- *OwnIt Mortgage Solutions* (CD Cal.) (represent loan purchasers in connection with their multi-million dollar repurchase claims in subprime loan originator's Chapter 11 case).
- *State Law Dissolution* (represent loan purchasers in connection with their negotiated payout of their multi-million dollar repurchase claims in subprime loan originator's state law dissolution).
- *In re Golden West Tacos* (represented debtor in \$60 million franchise Chapter 11 which was successfully reorganized in seven months).
- *In re Telios* (represented Committee of Common Shareholders of \$50 million biotech company).

HONORS

- Top Bankruptcy/Restructuring Lawyers, Chambers & Partners', 2009
- Fellow, American College of Bankruptcy
- The State Bar of California *Wiley W. Manuel Award for Pro Bono Legal Services*, 2009
- Top Attorneys 2008, Corporate Transactional, *San Diego Daily Transcript*
- Top San Diego County Attorney, 2008
- *The Best Lawyers in America*®, Southern California Super Lawyers
- San Diego Super Lawyer, 2008, 2009
- Best Lawyers in San Diego
- Recipient, Wiley M. Manuel Award, State Bar of California, 1995, 1997, 2004 and 2005
- Recipient, exceptional service award, San Diego Volunteer Lawyers Program, for her commitment to pro bono service in 2003 and 2005
- Nominee, Athena Pinnacle Awards in the category of Individual in Services, 2004
- Mediator of the Year, by the judges of the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of California for her outstanding service on the Bankruptcy Court Mediation Panel, 2003
- Recipient, YWCA TWIN Award Celebrating Women, 1999
- Nominee, Women Who Mean Business Award, 1999

MEMBERSHIPS

- Chair, Southern District of California Lawyer Representative (2007-2008)
- American Bar Association

- American Bankruptcy Institute
- Director, California Women Lawyers
- Mediator, American Arbitration Association Southern District of California Bankruptcy Court
- Director, UCSD Athena, 2005-2008
- Attorney Representative, Ninth Circuit Judicial Conference, 2006-2008
- Co-Chair, Annual Conference, California Bankruptcy Forum, 1999
- Co-Chair, Annual Meeting Education Committee, California Bankruptcy Forum, 1998
- Former President, Vice President (1998) and Chief Financial Officer (1997), Sunset View Foundation Board, 1996-1998
- Former Director, Association of Business Trial Lawyers, San Diego Chapter, 1995-1998
- Former President and Director, San Diego Bankruptcy Forum, 1993-1995
- Debtor/Creditor Committee, State Bar of California, 1995
- Former Director/Vice Chair, San Diego Center for Children Foundation, 1992
- Chair, Bankruptcy Law Section, San Diego County Bar Association, 1990
- Former Director, Lawyers Club of San Diego, 1985

ARTICLES

- What's New with the Financial Stability Plan?, March 30, 2009
- Capital Purchase Program - Publicly Traded Financial Institutions, November 20, 2008
- Prominent Bankruptcy Attorney Joins Sheppard Mullin, *Bankruptcy Law 360*, January 10, 2008
- "Management's Fiduciary Duties Grow During Financial Distress" San Francisco and Los Angeles Daily Journal 9.13.2004
- Continuing Education of the Bar, *Personal and Small Business Bankruptcy*, section on Bankruptcy Litigation, Fall 2003, 2004 and 2005 Vol. 1, Chapter 9. 10.1.2003
- California Code of Civil Procedure section 483.012 (principle draftsman of statute.)
- Continuing Education of the Bar, *Debt Collection Practices*, section on Bankruptcy, Fall 2005.

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- Enfoque Latino - Spring 2008