

### Corporate Restructuring & Litigation Partner Todd Padnos Brings Insurance and Bankruptcy Expertise to Sheppard Mullin San Francisco

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Todd L. Padnos has joined Sheppard, Mullin, Richter & Hampton LLP as a partner in the firm's Business Trial and Finance and Bankruptcy practice groups, based in the firm's 90-attorney San Francisco office. Padnos joins from Dewey & LeBoeuf in Silicon Valley.

Padnos practices in the areas of insurance, bankruptcy, business reorganizations, workouts and commercial litigation. His insurance regulatory practice includes both advice work and representation of insurers in administrative proceedings and litigation relating to insurance rate filings, policy form filings, market conduct examinations, and licensing and disciplinary matters. Padnos' bankruptcy practice has involved the representation of debtors, secured and unsecured creditors, creditors' committees, trustees, lessors, and purchasers of assets in workouts and bankruptcy restructurings throughout the country. His commercial litigation experience has included the handling of cases involving the Uniform Commercial Code, securities, lender liability, fraudulent conveyance, and contract and business tort issues.

"Todd's practice straddles insurance regulatory and bankruptcy matters, two areas that Sheppard Mullin has significantly developed specialties. His knowledge and experience is both complementary and supplementary to our existing practices, especially given his unique insurance regulatory skill set that is a great addition to our insurance industry capabilities," said Guy N. Halgren, chairman of Sheppard Mullin.

"Sheppard Mullin is a top-notch full service firm that offers an excellent platform to grow my practice. I am impressed by firm management's strategic vision and look forward to working closely with my new partners," Padnos commented.

Padnos received his J.D. from Loyola University Chicago School of Law in 1992 and a B.A. from Emory University in 1989.

#### Practice Areas

Bankruptcy and Restructuring

Commercial Lending and Financial Transactions

Litigation