

Financial Restructuring Practice

Here is what the market says about Bingham's global practice:



Bingham was awarded "Restructuring Deal of the Year" in 2010 for its handling of Mexico's first-ever prepackaged bankruptcy filing at the *International Financial Law Review (IFLR) Americas Awards*.

— IFLR, Americas Awards



'If you look at just bondholders they're a super tier one,' ...clients are keen to praise the firm, in particular its 'great technical ability and commercial application' and its ability to deliver 'comprehensive, careful and critical insights.'

— IFLR 1000, United Kingdom



For the fourth-straight year, Bingham was selected as a leading law firm for restructuring and insolvency in England by PLC in its *Cross-Border Handbook: Restructuring and Insolvency 2010/11*. Bingham was the only U.S. firm to achieve this top-tier ranking.

— Practical Law Company



Bingham's global financial restructuring group has achieved the status of one of the leading bondholder-representing firms.

— The Legal 500



Probably the most talked-about firm for restructuring and insolvency work, this team is able to provide a unique expertise on multi-jurisdictional matters, with several American colleagues on secondment to the Tokyo office... "The firm has strong Japanese bankruptcy partners. I think their ability and willingness to drive change helps foreign investors to achieve uncommon results."

— Chambers Asia



'The number one bondholder firm,' Bingham continues to be a strong force in the London restructuring market. 'Its experience of representing noteholders and institutional investors is unparalleled.'

— Chambers UK



This group has built up a strong creditor practice through its 'deep involvement' in both new and distressed investments... Clients praise the team's related corporate and securities strengths, and appreciate its ability to deal with 'the most heated and ugly litigation.'

— Chambers USA



Bingham's representation of bondholders in the Petrozuata extra-heavy crude oil project in Venezuela has earned it *Latin Lawyer's* 2008 Restructuring Deal of the Year Award.

— Latin Lawyer



Bingham McCutchen...managed to secure deals that rival some of the leading practices in the city, reflective of the added value that the firm's lawyers are capable of providing.

— IFLR 1000, Hong Kong



...the nation's preeminent international bankruptcy practice...

— The American Lawyer

...And here is what the market says about the strength and depth of our financial restructuring partners:

The *Legal 500* recognizes **Edwin Smith** as ‘the firm’s star partner and the reason we use the firm,’ **Michael Reilly** as ‘*dealmaker supreme*,’ and acknowledges that **Timothy DeSieno** has established a niche in sovereign debt issues.

— *The Legal 500*

Jeff Sabin is highly recommended as ‘*lethal and relentless opposition in the courtroom*.’

— *Chambers USA*

James Roome is ‘*one of the best in the business and one of the best partners in Europe*,’ says a client. ‘*He has a strong sense of what hedge fund clients expect with recovery and he thinks outside of the linear approach*.’

— *IFLR 1000*

Hideyuki Sakai is considered ‘*the most prominent insolvency lawyer in Japan*.’

— *Chambers Asia*

Barry Russell ‘*has it all — top shelf understanding of the law; deep relationships with his peers and the bank community; very responsive and hard working*,’ says another client.

— *IFLR 1000*

Ed Smith is ‘*outstanding*’ and ‘*probably knows as much about the UCC as anyone in the country*,’ agree sources, and is ‘*the person in the firm that you look to for answers to difficult questions*.’ He is a ‘*guru of financing law*.’

— *Chambers USA*

Amy Kyle ‘*is able to focus on what really matters without getting caught up in the minutiae*’ and has the capacity ‘*to think through complex issues and come up with a practical response*.’

— *Chambers USA*

Tom Bannister is ‘*widely recommended by both clients and competitors*.’

— *IFLR 1000*

IFLR Expert Guides recognizes **Tim DeSieno** as a ‘*leading expert in the United States*.’

— *Guide to the World’s Leading Insolvency and Restructuring Lawyers*

Clients praise **Ronald J. Silverman** as ‘*exceptionally knowledgeable on cross-border insolvency*,’ while another says the New York lawyer is ‘*able to synthesize a lot of complex detailed information and to explain it to the client...he has good businessman’s judgment and is a practical, calm adviser*.’

— *IFLR Insolvency and Restructuring Lawyers*

James Terry is praised by clients for his strategic thinking and his ‘*depth of knowledge married with commerciality*.’

— *IFLR 1000*

Andrew Gallo is one of the top 12 Outstanding Young Restructuring Lawyers of 2010.

— *Turnarounds & Workouts*

Steven Wilamowsky is one of the top 12 Outstanding Young Restructuring Lawyers of 2007.

— *Turnarounds & Workouts*

The *'incisive and solutions-oriented'* **Michael Reilly** stands out to peers as a leading lawyer in his field. *'Clients keep going back to him,'* reported sources, because he is *'smart, and excellent around the negotiating table.'*

— *Chambers USA*

Natasha Harrison is *'incredibly commercial for a litigator.'*

— *The Legal 500*

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