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OVERVIEW

Lynn's practice consists of commercial bankruptcy and corporate reorganization, specializing in workouts, reorganizations, asset sales and bankruptcy litigation.

He also represents clients in disputes with the State of Texas and its agencies, with emphasis on state tax defense.

As part of his bankruptcy practice, Lynn has represented commercial debtors and creditors in numerous industries. In his 29 years of practice, he has been involved in more than 600 cases in Texas alone. He is admitted to practice in the Western, Southern, Eastern and Northern Districts of Texas, the Northern District of Illinois and the Eastern District of Wisconsin. Lynn is also admitted in, and has practiced in, the U.S. Courts of Appeal for the Second, Fifth, Seventh, Eighth, Ninth and Eleventh Circuits and is admitted to practice in front of the United States Supreme Court.

Lynn litigates regularly in bankruptcy court, having served as lead plaintiff and defense counsel in many bankruptcy adversaries, including fraud dischargeability lawsuits. Lynn also has significant bankruptcy appellate experience, having been lead appellate counsel in more than 20 bankruptcy appeals.

Lynn represents clients in bankruptcy cases involving, among other things, manufacturing, restaurants, real estate, utilities, energy and retail, as well as debtor-creditor related litigation in those areas. He has developed a specialty in the representation of clients in healthcare-related bankruptcies, having been lead debtor counsel in eight hospital bankruptcies, including four Chapter 9 municipal hospital bankruptcies. Lynn has also represented individual doctors, practice groups, home

Industries

Financial Services & Capital Markets

Healthcare

Services

Healthcare Insolvency & Bankruptcy

Insolvency & Commercial Bankruptcy

Litigation & Alternative Dispute Resolution

Nonprofit Organizations & Religious Institutions

Special Situations & Opportunistic Investing

State & Local Taxation (SaLT)

State Attorneys General Practice
Tax

healthcare agencies and nursing homes in bankruptcy and debtor/creditor disputes, including disputes involving Medicare and Medicaid. Additionally, Lynn has significant experience in music copyright bankruptcies in the representation of music companies, licensees and artists. Lynn also has extensive experience representing state and federal receivers, as well as parties to receiverships.

Lynn represents clients with issues and disputes with the State of Texas, especially those involving the Office of the Attorney General and the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts. He regularly represents taxpayers in state and federal tax disputes, both at the administrative hearings and the collection stages. His representation also includes dealing with the Internal Revenue Service in similar situations. Lynn also represents clients in disputes with the other Texas state agencies, including the Texas Workforce Commission, the Texas Public Utilities Commission, the Texas Railroad Commission and other agencies.

Lynn has been board-certified in business bankruptcy law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization since 1996. For eight years, he was an Assistant Attorney General with the Texas Attorney General's Office in its Bankruptcy and Collection Division. Lynn practiced with Brown McCarroll in Austin prior to its merger with Husch Blackwell.

Recognition

- Martindale-Hubbell AV Preeminent
- *Austin Monthly* magazine, Top Austin Attorney, Bankruptcy and Workout, 2019-2025
- BL Rankings' *The Best Lawyers In America*®
 - *Best Lawyers*® Litigation - Bankruptcy "Lawyer of the Year," Austin, 2025
 - Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law, 2021-2025
 - Litigation - Bankruptcy, 2024 and 2025

Education

- J.D., University of Texas School of Law
- B.A., University of Texas at Austin

Admissions

- Texas
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Illinois
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Texas
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Texas
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of Texas
- U.S. District Court, Western District of Texas
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Wisconsin
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Second Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Eighth Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit
- U.S. Supreme Court

Community Leadership

- Sigma Phi Epsilon, University of Texas Chapter, Alumni Council President
- Boys & Girls Club of Austin, Board of Directors
- Fraternity Advisors Council of Texas, President
- First Baptist Church of Austin



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