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OVERVIEW

Caitlin Conklin is an associate in the firm's Finance practice. She focuses on the representation of franchisors, creditors, and financial institutions in insolvency, work-out, and foreclosure proceedings. She also represented franchisors in the collection of unpaid franchise fees, negotiating the assumption or rejection of franchise agreements in bankruptcy, protecting intellectual property interests, bankruptcy litigation, and restructuring of debtor/creditor relationships between franchisee and franchisor.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Prior to joining the firm, Caitlin served as an associate for an entrepreneurial law firm. Previously, Caitlin was a law clerk for the Honorable Chief Judge Julie Manning of the United States Bankruptcy Court, District of Connecticut and for the Honorable Alan G. Lesnewich of the New Jersey State Court, Civil Division.

During law school, Caitlin interned with the Honorable Joseph A. Dickson of the United States District Court, District of New Jersey, the United States Bankruptcy Court, District of New Jersey, and was a law clerk in the insurance litigation group at an insurance solutions company.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Listed in *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch® in America* for work in Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law, 2021-2024
- Named to the United States Legal Eagles list by *Franchise Times*, 2023

PROFESSIONAL / CIVIC ACTIVITIES

- International Women's Insolvency & Restructuring Confederation, Co-Director of Communications, New Jersey Network Board
- Manhattan Charter Schools, Chair, Board of Directors
- United States Bankruptcy Court of New Jersey Lawyers Advisory Committee, Member

- District VA Ethics Committee, Member (2022-2023)
- The College Woman's Club of Westfield, Vice President

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- “What Practitioners Need to Know about Cash Collateral in Subchapter V and other Small Business Cases,” United States Bankruptcy Court: Lawyers Advisory Committee for the District of New Jersey, April 2023
- “Landlord Issues in Bankruptcy (Presented by IWIRC-NJ),” New Jersey State Bar Association, June 2020
- “Today's Mail: Notice of Bankruptcy – What In-house Counsel Need to Know,” Association of Corporate Counsel New Jersey, August 2019

EDUCATION

- J.D., Rutgers School of Law at Newark, 2014
- B.A., Pace University, 2010 (*magna cum laude*)

ADMISSIONS

- Bar of New Jersey
- Bar of New York
- United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit
- United States District Court for the District of New Jersey
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York
- United States District Court for the Southern District of New York

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP POWERED BY HUB

- 6 April 2023, March 2023 Accolades
- 25 July 2022 , District Court Shows Timeshare "Exit" Attorney the Exit
- 25 March 2020, COVID-19: Business Impacts on Franchisors - Overview and Analysis

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- “An Overview of Chapter 11 Franchisee Cases,” *American Bankruptcy Institute*, April 2023
- “Data Privacy in a Public World: The Impact of Data Privacy in Franchising” *Franchise Law Journal*, 2022

- “Friendly Foreclosure: A Non-Bankruptcy Alternative to Resolution of Franchise Defaults,” *New Jersey Lawyer*, February 2019
- “Creating Consistency: The Supreme Court’s Decision in *Mission Products Holding, Inc. v. Tempnology, LLC*,” *Franchise Law Journal*, 2019
- “Disability Status and Its Effect on Support: Does It Ever End?,” *New Jersey Law Journal*, 2015
- “Simply Inconsistent: Surrogacy Laws in the United States and the Pressing Need for Regulation,” 35 *WOMEN’S RTS. L. REP.* 67, Fall 2013

NEWS & EVENTS

- 12 April 2023, Legal Eagles Virtual Summit: Tackling System Change and Enforcement, Hosted by Franchise Times
- 18 August 2022, More Than 350 K&L Gates Lawyers Named Among 2023 Best Lawyers in America, Ones to Watch
- 19 August 2021, Nearly 300 K&L Gates Lawyers Named Among 2022 Best Lawyers in America, Ones to Watch

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Restructuring and Insolvency

INDUSTRIES

- Consumer Products
- Franchising