



## Scott Griffin

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Scott Griffin is Chair of Wiggin and Dana's Restructuring and Distressed Transactions Practice Group, practicing primarily in the areas of bankruptcy, restructuring and insolvency law.

For more than two decades, Scott has represented debtors, ad hoc and official committees of creditors, secured creditors, administrative agents and trustees. He has represented these parties in all aspects of complex in-court and out-of-court national and cross-border bankruptcies, restructurings and reorganizations across a wide variety of industries, including financial services, real estate, automotive, aviation, retail, healthcare, energy, oil and gas, commodities and metals, and telecommunications. He also routinely represents buyers and sellers of distressed assets.

Prior to joining Wiggin and Dana, Scott founded a boutique bankruptcy law practice that advised large, middle-market, small and start-up enterprises across a broad spectrum of industries, and provided counsel to private equity funds, hedge funds, boards of directors, trustees and high net worth individuals. Before founding his legal practice, Scott worked in the restructuring practices of several major New York-based international law firms.

Scott received his J.D. from Case Western Reserve University Law School and B.A., *cum laude*, in English from the University of Mississippi.

Scott's restructuring experience includes:

### **Chapter 11 Debtor Representations**

- LyondellBasell Industries AF: Counsel to debtors in chapter 11 cases of \$33 billion international chemical company.\*
- Chrysler LLC: Counsel to one of the big three U.S. automakers in the (then) sixth largest chapter 11 case ever filed.\*

- Northwest Airlines, Inc.: Counsel to world's (then) fifth largest airline in the successful restructuring of more than \$13 billion of debt in its chapter 11 cases.\*
- Saint Vincent Catholic Medical Centers of New York: Counsel to debtors in the first chapter 11 reorganization cases of \$1.6 billion New York City hospital system.\*
- Global Technovations, Inc.: Counsel to the debtors in the successful chapter 11 restructuring of a \$59 million automotive specialty supplier based in Palm Beach Gardens, Florida.\*
- Lehman Brothers Holdings, Inc.: Special counsel to Lehman in its historic chapter 11 cases, in connection with representing the debtors in disputes involving various derivative and structured products transactions, and in its capacity as secured lender in certain real estate financings.\*
- Bear Stearns & Co.: Counsel to company in connection with the preparation of a potential emergency chapter 11 filing.\*
- Dewey & LeBeouf LLP: Counsel to global law firm in the Chapter 11 structured liquidation and wind down of its affairs.\*
- Filmed Entertainment Inc.: Counsel to "direct-to-customer" distributor operating the Columbia House DVD Club brand in the Chapter 11 structured liquidation and wind down of its affairs.\*

### **Distressed Mergers and Acquisitions Representations**

- Communication Dynamics, Inc.: Counsel to \$236 million international fiber optics manufacturing and distribution company in the successful section 363 sale of substantially all of their assets.\*
- Mirant Corporation, Inc.: Counsel to chapter 11 international energy company with more than \$10 billion in debt in the sale of natural gas-fired power plant.\*
- HIG Capital, LLC: Counsel to stalking horse bidder in connection with attempted acquisition of national restaurant chain.\*
- WL Ross & Co. LLC: Counsel to stalking horse bidder in connection with attempted acquisition of bankrupt Global Safety Textile Holdings LLC, an international automotive supplier.\*
- Montefiore Medical Center: Counsel to affiliates of the Montefiore Medical Center in the acquisition of a Westchester County hospital system pursuant to section 363 of the Bankruptcy Code.\*
- South Nassau Communities Hospital: Counsel to South Nassau Communities Hospital in the acquisition of a Long Island hospital and skilled nursing facility utilizing section 363 of the Bankruptcy Code.\*

\*Denotes an attorney's experience prior to joining Wiggin and Dana

### **Education**

- Case Western Reserve University School of Law (J.D.)
- University of Mississippi (B.A.)
  - cum laude

### **Bar Admissions**

- New York
- Florida
- Ohio (inactive)

### **Court Admissions**

- US District Court (Southern District of New York)
- US District Court (Eastern District of New York)
- US District Court (Northern District of New York)
- US District Court for the Southern District of Florida
- US Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Ohio

## **Publications**

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