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Bill Wyatt is a partner in the Finance and Bankruptcy and Corporate Practice Groups in the firm's Silicon Valley and San Francisco offices. He is also a member of the Asset-Based Lending Team.

Areas of Practice

Bill started as an associate at Sheppard Mullin in 1982 and became a partner in January 1990. He specializes in commercial law, real and personal property secured loan transactions, workouts and bankruptcy.

Bill has significant experience handling a broad range of financing transactions, including secured and unsecured credit facilities, bond and note financings, public finance transactions, letters of credit and other credit enhancements, derivative products, real property secured transactions, asset-based accounts, inventory and equipment financing transactions, equipment leasing transactions (including aircraft and rail) and project finance transactions. He has been involved in negotiating and documenting lines of credit secured by accounts, inventory, equipment and real estate, construction loans, and credit enhancements for tax-exempt bond and certificate of participation transactions. He also has experience with aircraft leasing and lending, ship financing, rail car and other types of equipment financing transactions, and has negotiated and documented both leveraged and non-leveraged leases of aircraft and rail equipment and manufacturing and medical facilities. Bill also regularly advises clients on swap and other derivatives transactions and related issues.

While his practice is focused primarily on transaction planning and documentation, he has substantial experience with loan workouts and the bankruptcy aspects of financial transactions. He has represented both institutional lenders, lessors and borrowers.

Representative Transactions

Represented domestic commercial bank in loan to aircraft lessor.

Representation of indenture trustee of certificate of participation issuance in Chapter 9 bankruptcy of the Richmond Unified School District

Representation of Wells Fargo Bank, Comerica Bank and Union Bank of California as issuers of direct-pay letters of credit to support variable rate bonds issued by the California Pollution Control Financing Authority

Representation of commercial finance company as purchaser of both taxable and tax-exempt bonds issued by the California State Community Development Authority and various city and county redevelopment authorities to finance various schools and healthcare facilities

Representation of Union Bank of California, as agent and lender in connection with a secured revolving mortgage warehouse facility to a leading housing tax credit syndicator

Representation of agent bank in connection with workout and restructure of a syndicated financing to a captive finance company making real estate secured development loans to national mini-storage developer

Honors

Best Lawyer in America, Banking and Finance, *Best Lawyers*, 2018-2025

Articles

Corporate & Securities Law Blog Posts

- "Sheppard Submits Comments to Main Street Loan Program," April 17, 2020

Media Mentions

Sheppard Mullin's Finance and Bankruptcy practice supports client's aggressive growth plan by streamlining process to remove manual work
Office & Dragons, 10.17.2022

Sheppard Mullin Represents Kratos Defense & Security Solutions Inc.
San Diego Business Journal, 05.26.2014

Sheppard Mullin Advises Kratos In \$625 Million Note Offering
Daily Journal, 05.13.2014

Sheppard Mullin Advises RadNet In Tender Offer
Daily Journal, 03.11.2014

Events

MCLE Marathon 2023 with Elimination of Bias Credit
Sheppard Mullin Silicon Valley Office, 01.13.2023

The Next Four Years in Finance & Bankruptcy - The Road Ahead After the U.S. 2020 Election
Webinar, 12.08.2020

The Mortgage Banking Industry – 2019 in Review and A Look Ahead Webinar
02.04.2020

Breakfast With Your Finance & Bankruptcy Lawyers
Why The Boilerplate Is Important
Sheppard Mullin New York, 03.17.2016

Breakfast With Your Finance & Bankruptcy Lawyers
Detroit and the Future of Municipal Bankruptcy: What We've Learned
04.30.2015

Breakfast With Your Finance & Bankruptcy Lawyers
Leverage Buyouts & Fraudulent Conveyances Risks
07.23.2014

Roundtable With Your Finance & Bankruptcy Lawyers
Intercreditor Agreements – What and How to Negotiate Them to Get What You Need
05.22.2014

Breakfast With Your Finance & Bankruptcy Lawyers
Municipal Bankruptcies - What To Learn From Detroit?
Sheppard Mullin New York, 03.11.2014

Breakfast With Your Finance & Bankruptcy Lawyers
Enforcement of Judgments - Between Contract Enforcement and Bankruptcy
Sheppard Mullin New York, 10.31.2013

Breakfast With Your Finance & Bankruptcy Lawyers
Real Estate Bankruptcy Issues: Cash Collateral, the Automatic Stay, Assignments of Rent, Lease Assumption and Rejection and Plan Issues
Sheppard Mullin New York, 04.12.2013

Lunch With Your Finance & Bankruptcy Lawyers
Real Estate Bankruptcy Issues: Cash Collateral, the Automatic Stay, Assignments of Rent, Lease Assumption and Rejection and Plan Issues
Sheppard Mullin Washington, D.C., 04.08.2013

Breakfast With Your Finance & Bankruptcy Lawyers
The Future Of Metavante And Its Impact On New Financings Supported by Hedges
Sheppard Mullin New York, 01.16.2013

Memberships

Member, Bar Association of San Francisco

Member, Corporation, Banking and Business Law and Real Property, Probate and Trust Law Sections, American Bar Association

Member, Financial Lawyer's Conference, Bankruptcy Study Group

Podcasts & Webinars

MCLE Marathon 2023 with Elimination of Bias Credit
01.13.2023

The Next Four Years in Finance & Bankruptcy
12.08.2020

Practices

Commercial Lending and Financial Transactions
Real Estate, Energy, Land Use & Environmental
Healthcare
Bankruptcy and Restructuring
Bankruptcy Litigation
Derivatives and Structured Products
Distressed Acquisitions Under Bankruptcy Code
§ 363
Distressed Real Estate Loan Workouts and Enforcement
Real Estate Finance

Industries

Aviation
Blockchain
Blockchain and Fintech
Energy, Infrastructure and Project Finance
Financial Services
Fintech
Healthcare

Education

J.D., Stanford University, 1982
M.S., Mechanical Engineering, Purdue University, 1979
B.S., Mechanical Engineering, Purdue University, 1977, *with distinction*

Admissions

California
New York

Additional Office

New York