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# Sheppard Mullin Continues Dallas Expansion With Finance Partner Jeffrey Bingham

## Bingham Deepens Firm's Private Lending Capabilities

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Sheppard, Mullin, Richter & Hampton LLP is pleased to announce that Jeffrey Bingham has joined the firm as a partner in the Finance and Bankruptcy practice group in Dallas. He was most recently a partner at Alston & Bird LLP.

As traditional lenders eschew the middle market, more private lenders are stepping in to fill the gap for the myriad of businesses looking for financing. Bingham represents private credit funds, non-bank lenders, corporate borrowers, debt funds and private equity sponsors in middle market private credit financing and direct lending transactions, with a particular emphasis in specialty lending transactions, leveraged finance and fund finance.

He structures and negotiates secured and unsecured financings in a variety of commercial lending transactions that include asset backed and/or borrowing base financings, acquisition financings and cross-border financings. He has experience working across a variety of industries, including consumer finance, technology, healthcare and similarly franchised business models, and retail and consumer products.

"We are thrilled to welcome Jeff to the firm," said Luca Salvi, chair of Sheppard Mullin. "His practice will help provide needed financial solutions to our clients as we continue to expand strategically in Dallas and as we add additional scale and depth to our private lending practice nationally."

Kenneth Fox, co-leader of the firm's Finance & Bankruptcy practice group, said, "As we continue to see the shift in financing options available to the middle market, Jeff furthers our strategic focus on expanding our private lending expertise and practice to assist our clients in structuring these deals. Jeff has the knowledge and experience to support this growing need for our firm's clients."

On joining the firm, Bingham commented, "The evolving lending landscape presents challenges and opportunities that Sheppard Mullin understands and has the right platform to support. I look forward to joining the firm's growing Dallas office and collaborating with a talented bench of attorneys across practices to assist clients with alternative lending and private credit transactions."

In the last 12 months, the firm has welcomed a six-attorney white collar defense group led by Gene Besen in Dallas, as well as real estate partners Douglas Yeager and Jeffrey Smith, healthcare partners Ashley Wheelock and Tammy Woffenden and executive compensation partner Jared Whalen in Houston, underscoring the firm's expanding presence in Texas across various practices.

Bingham obtained his B.A. from Brigham & Young University and his J.D. from William & Mary Law School.

#### About Sheppard Mullin's Finance and Bankruptcy Practice

Sheppard Mullin's Finance and Bankruptcy practice has been a key element of the firm's practice since its founding almost 100 years ago. Our attorneys represent a broad spectrum of Fortune 500 companies, midsized companies, financial institutions, hedge funds, private equity funds and private lenders. As part of a large, broad-based commercial law firm, we are able to draw on all of the resources necessary to help businesses expand and also to solve the multidisciplinary problems presented by business insolvencies. Our team has the resources to respond seamlessly to the needs of our clients whatever size team is required.

#### Attorneys

Jeffrey Bingham

#### **Practice Areas**

Bankruptcy and Restructuring