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Main Bio

Eric Pezold's practice is concentrated primarily in bankruptcy, reorganization, creditor's rights, foreclosure, receivership, Assignments for the Benefit of Creditors ("ABCs"), and workout law; federal and state court commercial and business litigation; and real estate tax investments.

Representative Matters

- Counsel to buyers and sellers of distressed debt instruments
- Counsel to financial institution in arresting commercial fishing vessels in federal district court and multiple chapter 12 bankruptcy cases
- Counsel to lender in a multimillion dollar note enforcement lawsuit, including a receivership, against a commercial developer that used EB-5 investment money to build out a large mixed use commercial development
- Counsel to gas station owner in unlawful detainer action to protect its \$25 million investment
- Counsel to owner of multiple smog test facilities in negotiating a buyout agreement with its landlords
- Counsel to receiver appointed over retail center
- Counsel to financial institutions, banks, credit unions, investment firms and private lenders involving gas stations, hotel, multi-family, retail and other commercial property receivership and bankruptcy cases
- Counsel to multinational company involved in restructuring proceedings in the United Kingdom
- Counsel to solar panel distribution and installation companies in federal, state, bankruptcy and arbitration proceedings
- Lead counsel to primary fuel supplier in bankruptcy cases involving a charter transportation company
- Lead counsel to transcontinental transportation provider in bankruptcy case involving a manufacturing company
- Counsel to large national bank, the largest secured creditor in 60 jointly administered bankruptcy cases of California-based real estate developer
- Lead counsel to take-out lender in \$3.7 million assignment for the benefit of creditor ("ABC") transaction
- Committee counsel in nearly 300 jointly administered bankruptcy cases involving one of the country's largest private builders

- Lead counsel to national real estate lender in \$1.2 million note sale
- Counsel to a large national bank that initiated a \$100 million real estate receivership spanning across California, Arizona and Colorado
- Lead counsel to investor who acquired multi-million dollar property as part of debtors' reorganization plan
- Counsel to large national finance corporation, the largest secured creditor in numerous restaurant bankruptcy cases and a state court receivership
- Counsel to national bank in work out of two retail mall properties with aggregate unpaid loan balances totaling \$90 million

Education

- Rutgers University School of Law (J.D., with honors, 2004)
 - Associate Editor, Rutgers Law Journal
- Arizona State University (B.A. Communication, summa cum laude, 1998)

Professional Memberships & Activities

- American Bar Association (2004-present)
- American Bankruptcy Institute (2004-present)
- Orange County Bankruptcy Forum (2008-present)
- California Receiver's Forum (2008-present)
- Orange County Bar Association (2008-present)
- Maricopa County Bar Association (2004-present)

Representative Presentations & Publications

- "Strategies, Tips and Techniques for Judgment Collection After Trial, Select Judgment Enforcement Procedures in California Outline, Stopping the Shell Game," Presenter, OCBA Conservatorship, Guardianship, Protective Proceedings Section, Orange, CA (June 20, 2019)
- "[Avenatti Class Action Dispute Focuses on Receiver's Role](#)," Quoted, The Daily Journal (May 22, 2019)
- "[Doing Business 2019: Training for Reform, 16th Edition](#)," Contributor, World Bank Group (2019)
- "Recent Developments in Commercial and Real Estate Secured Guaranties," Presenter, OCBA Banking and Lending Section Program, Newport Beach, CA (October 16, 2018)
- "[Doing Business 2018: Reforming to Create Jobs, 15th Edition](#)," Contributor, World Bank Group (2018)
- "Post-Judgments Receiverships," Moderator, California Receivers Forum - Loyola VII Symposium, Costa Mesa, CA (March 4, 2017)
- "[Eric Pezold: From Ranch Hand to Receiver's Counsel](#)," Featured, Receivership News, A Publication of the California Receivers Forum (Summer 2016)
- "[Parent Company of Roscoe's House of Chicken and Waffles Files for Bankruptcy Protection](#)," Quoted, Los Angeles Times (March 29, 2016)
- "[Doing Business 2016: Measuring Regulatory Quality and Efficiency, 13th Edition](#)," Contributor, World

Bank Group (2016)

- "Referees and Receivers: Selling Real Property Only if You Can Get Title Insurance! Tricks and Trivia of How To," Panelist, California Receivers Forum, Costa Mesa, CA (September 3, 2015)
- "Oil Fields & Gas Station Receiverships," Panelist, California Receivers Forum, Los Angeles, CA (June 17, 2015)
- "Successful Sale of Assets Through Post Judgment Receiverships," Panelist, California Receivers Forum, Los Angeles, CA (September 11, 2014)
- "[The Dodd-Frank Act Amendments and Creation of the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau: Major Changes to Financial Services Industry](#)," Co-Author, Orange County Business Journal, Vol. 37, No. 17 (April 28-May 4, 2014)
- "Real Estate Foreclosure: A Step-by-Step Workshop," Presenter, National Business Institute™, Irvine, CA (January 15, 2014)

Professional Recognition & Awards

- Southwest Super Lawyers®, Rising Stars Edition, Bankruptcy: Business (2014)
- Southern California Super Lawyers®, Rising Stars Edition, Bankruptcy & Creditor/Debtor Rights (2013-2014)

Community Involvement

- Constitutional Rights Foundation-Orange County (2009-present)
 - Career Forum Committee (2011-present)
 - Career Forum Committee, Co-Chair (2014-present)
 - Board Member (2015-present)
- California Receivers Forum
 - Education Committee, Co-Chair (2015-present)
 - Board Member (2015-present)
- Laguna Hills Chamber of Commerce, Member

Bar Admissions

- Arizona
- California
- Texas

Court Admissions

- Supreme Court of Arizona
- Supreme Court of California
- United States District Court, District of Arizona
- United States District Court, All Districts of California