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Steve McNeill is a trusted advisor to companies, lenders, fiduciaries, and committees navigating some of the most complex and consequential restructuring matters in the Delaware Bankruptcy Court and beyond. Clients rely on Steve for practical judgment, strategic clarity, and steady guidance when financial distress, governance concerns, and litigation risk intersect. Steve's work has earned recognition from *Chambers USA* for Bankruptcy/Restructuring in Delaware, reflecting his ability to guide clients through complex, high stakes insolvency matters.

Steve represents debtors, secured lenders, official and ad hoc committees, buyers, and liquidating fiduciaries across a wide range of contested matters, including asset sales, plan confirmation disputes, debtor in possession financing, intercreditor issues, and avoidance litigation. His experience on all sides of the capital structure enables him to anticipate pressure points and help clients make informed, value preserving decisions.

Steve is also known for his effectiveness in highly contested matters. He has significant experience litigating plan confirmation disputes, asset sale challenges, lien and priority issues, and preference actions, and he regularly helps clients assess when litigation advances strategic objectives versus when negotiated solutions better preserve value. As a certified Superior Court mediator, he brings a practical, solution-oriented mindset to resolving disputes efficiently.

In addition to his client work, Steve is a recognized thought leader in bankruptcy and restructuring law. He is a current member of the Local Rules Committee for the Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware, was a coordinating editor of the *American Bankruptcy Institute Journal's* "Building Blocks" column, and is an adjunct professor at Widener University Delaware School of Law, where he teaches fiduciary duty in financial distress. His active engagement with the bankruptcy community keeps him at the forefront of emerging trends and judicial developments—insight his clients rely on to stay ahead of risk.

Education

- Auburn University at Montgomery (B.S., *summa cum laude*, 2002)
- Washington & Lee University School of Law (J.D., *cum laude*, 2008)

Services & Industries

- Bankruptcy & Restructuring
- Commercial Litigation
- Creditors' Rights & Commercial Law
- Distressed Investments
- Litigation

Admissions

- Delaware
- United States District Court - District of Delaware
- United States Court of Appeals - Third Circuit

Professional Affiliations

- Certified Mediator, Superior Court of Delaware
- Mediator, Delaware Bankruptcy Court
- Secretary, Delaware Bankruptcy American Inn of Court, 2023-present
- Local Rules Committee, United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware, 2026-present
- Delaware State Bar Association
- American Bar Association
- American Bankruptcy Institute
- MENSA
- Senior Articles Editor, *Washington and Lee Law Review*

Awards & Honors

- *Chambers USA*, 2023–2026
- *The Best Lawyers in America*®, Litigation - Bankruptcy, 2020–present
- Nominee for ABI Top 40 Under 40, 2019
- *American Bankruptcy Law Journal* Editors' Prize, 2019

Experience

Debtor Representations

- Counsel to the debtors, Brightmark Plastics Renewal LLC, et al., Case No. 25-10472 (LSS)
- Co-counsel to the debtors, MOM CA Investco LLC, et al., Case No. 25-10321 (BLS)
- Co-counsel to the debtors, Liquidating Supply, Inc., et al., Case No. 24-11054 (BLS)
- Counsel to the debtors, Restoration Forest Products Group, LLC, Case No. 24-10120 (KBO)
- Co-counsel to the debtors, AN Global, LLC, et al., Case No. 23-11294 (JKS)
- Co-counsel to the debtors, Vesta Holdings, LLC, et al., Case No. 22-11019 (LSS)
- Co-counsel to the debtors, Hospitality Investors Trust, Inc., et al., Case No. 21-10831 (CTG)
- Counsel to the debtors, SIW Holding Company, Inc., et al, Case No. 18-11579 (CSS)
- Co-counsel to the debtors, CST Industries, Inc., et al, Case No. 17-11293 (BLS)
- Co-counsel to the debtor, Suniva, Inc., Case No. 17-10837 (KG)
- Co-counsel to the debtors, IPC International Corporation, et al, Case No. 13-12050 (MFW)
- Co-counsel to the debtor, Powerwave Technologies, Inc., Case No. 13-10134 (MFW)

- Co-counsel to the debtor, Beacon Power Corporation, Case No. 11-13450 (KJC)
- Counsel to the debtor, Doveview, LLC, Case No. 10-11519 (KG)
- Counsel to the debtor, Hotels Union Square Mezz 2 LLC, Case No. 10-11001 (KJC)
- Counsel to the debtor, Hotels Union Square Mezz 1 LLC, Case No. 10-10971 (KJC)
- Counsel to the debtors, Formtech Industries, LLC, Case No. 09-12964 (MFW)
- Co-counsel to the debtors, Pacific Ethanol Holding Co. LLC, et al, Case No. 09-11713 (KG)
- Co-counsel to the debtors, Pitt Penn Holding Company, Inc., et al, Case No. 09-11475 (BLS)
- Co-counsel to the debtors, USI Senior Holding, Inc., et al., Case No. 09-11150 (MFW)
- Co-counsel to the debtors, G.I. Joe's Holding Corporation, et al, Case No. 09-10713 (KG)
- Counsel to the debtor, Nailite International, Inc., Case No. 09-10526 (MFW)
- Counsel to the debtor, Delfasco, Inc., Case No. 08-11578 (MFW)
- Counsel to the debtor, Amp'd Mobile, Inc., Case No. 07-10739 (BLS)

Lender Representations

- Co-counsel to the lender of Village Roadshow Entertainment Group USA Inc., et al., Case No. 25-10475 (TMH)
- Counsel to the lender of KDP, LLC, et al., Case No. 23-10662 (JKS)
- Counsel to the lender of Media Lodge, Inc., Case No. 20-12969 (JTD)
- Co-counsel to prepetition agents for second term facility, Hospital Acquisition, Case No. 19-10998
- Co-counsel to the prepetition revolver agent and lender, Appvion, Inc. et al, Case No. 17-12082 (KJC)
- Co-counsel to the prepetition collateral and administrative agent, Peekay Acquisition, LLC, et al, Case No. 17-11722 (BLS)
- Co-counsel to the prepetition agent, Rupari Holding Corp., et al, Case No. 17-10793 (KJC)
- Co-counsel to the prepetition administrative agent, Paragon Offshore PLC, et al, Case No. 16-10386 (CSS)
- Co-counsel to the DIP agent, Swift Energy Company, et al, Case No. 15-12670 (MFW)
- Co-counsel to the prepetition and DIP administrative agent, Magnum Hunter Resources Corporation, et al, Case No. 15-12533 (KG)
- Co-counsel to the prepetition senior secured creditor, Cubic Energy, Inc., et al, Case No. 15-12500 (CSS)
- Co-counsel to the prepetition administrative agent, Radioshack Corporation, et al, Case No. 15-10197 (BLS)
- Co-counsel to the EFIH first lien DIP agent, Energy Future Holdings Corp., et al, Case No. 14-10979 (CSS)
- Co-counsel to the prepetition lender, Green Field Energy Services, Inc., et al, Case No. 13-12783 (KG)
- Co-counsel to the ship financier, Overseas Shipbuilding Group, Inc., et al, Case No. 12-20000 (PJW)
- Co-counsel to the administrative and collateral agent for certain second lien lenders, Graceway Pharmaceuticals, LLC, et al, Case No. 11-13036 (KJC)
- Co-counsel to the steering committee of first lien lenders, Foamex International, Inc. et al, Case No. 09-10560 (KJC)
- Co-counsel to the prepetition agent and lender, Tribune Company, et al, Case No. 08-13141 (KJC)
- Co-counsel to the ad hoc group of bank noteholders, Washington Mutual, Inc., et al, Case No. 08-12229 (MFW)
- Co-counsel to the prepetition agent, DIP Agent and Lender, Semcrude, L.P., et al, Case No. 08-11525 (BLS)
- Co-counsel to the prepetition and DIP administrative agent, American Home Mortgage Holdings, Inc., et al, Case No. 07-11047 (CSS)

Committee Representations

- Co-counsel to official committee of unsecured creditors of iM3NY, LLC, et al., Case No. 25-10131 (BLS)
- Counsel to official committee of unsecured creditors of Dormify, Inc., Case No. 24-12634 (TMH)
- Counsel to official committee of unsecured creditors of Jordan Health Products I, Inc., et al., Case No. 24-12271 (TMH)
- Co-counsel to official committee of unsecured creditors of Salt Life Beverage, LLC, et al., Case No. 24-11468 (LSS)
- Counsel to official committee of unsecured creditors of Tremont Chicago, LLC, Case No. 24-10844 (LSS)
- Counsel to official committee of unsecured creditors of Sherman/Grayson Hospital, LLC, Case No. 23-10810 (JKS)
- Counsel to the customers' committee of Lear Capital, Inc., Case No. 22-10165 (BLS)
- Co-counsel to the official committee of unsecured creditors, Fast Radius, Inc., et al., Case No. 22-11051 (JKS)
- Conflicts counsel to the official committee of unsecured creditors, Renovate America, Inc., Case No. 20-13172 (LSS)
- Counsel to the official committee of unsecured creditors, smarTours, LLC, et al., Case No. 20-12625 (KBO)
- Co-counsel to the official committee of unsecured creditors, John Varvatos Enterprises, Inc., et al., Case No. 20-11043 (MFW)
- Counsel to the ad hoc committee of service providers, MTE Holdings LLC, et al., Case No. 19-12269 (KBO)
- Counsel to the ad hoc committee of Hahnemann residents and fellows, Center City Healthcare, LLC d/b/a Hahnemann University Hospital, et al., Case No. 19-11466 (KG)
- Co-counsel to the official committee of unsecured creditors, Pernix Sleep, Inc., et al, Case No. 19-10323 (CSS)
- Co-counsel to large unsecured creditor and committee member, ATD Corporation, Case No. 18-12221 (KJC)
- Co-counsel to the official committee of unsecured creditors, Affirmative Insurance Holdings, Inc., et al, Case No. 15-12136 (CSS)
- Counsel to the official committee of unsecured creditors and liquidating trustee, Traffic Control and Safety Corporation, et al, Case No. 12-11287 (KJC)
- Co-counsel to the official committee of unsecured creditors, AFA Investment Inc., et al, Case No. 12-11127 (MFW)
- Counsel to the large unsecured creditor and committee member, Pure Beauty Salons & Boutiques, Inc., et al, Case No. 11-13159 (MFW)
- Co-counsel to the official committee of unsecured creditors and liquidating trustee, Vion Pharmaceuticals, Inc., Case No. 09-14429 (CSS)
- Co-counsel to the official committee of unsecured creditors, Vermillion, Inc., Case No. 09-11091 (CSS)
- Co-counsel to the official committee of unsecured creditors, Nova Holding Clinton County, LLC, et al, Case No. 09-11081 (KG)
- Co-counsel to the official committee of unsecured creditors and liquidating trustee, Broadstripe, LLC, Case No. 09-10006 (CSS)
- Co-counsel to the official committee of unsecured creditors and oversight committee of unsecured creditors, Boscov's Inc., Case No. 08-11637 (KG)
- Counsel to official committee of unsecured creditors of Butler Services International Inc., et al., Case No. 09-11914 (KJC)

Chapter 15 Representations

- Co-counsel to the foreign representative in World Marin Offshore A/S, Case No. 23-10303 (CTG)
- Counsel to the foreign representative in Motorcycle Tires and Accessories, Case No. 19-12706

- Counsel to large unsecured creditors, Cinram International Inc., Case No. 12-11882 (KJC)
- Co-counsel to the foreign representative, Wellpoint Systems, Inc., et al, Case No. 11-10423 (MFW)

Buyer Representations

- Counsel to potential bidder, Food52, Inc. et al., Case No. 25-12277 (LSS)
- Co-counsel to stalking horse bidder, Fluid Market, Inc., et al., Case No. 24-12363 (CTG)
- Co-Counsel to stalking horse bidder, RentPath Holdings, Inc. et al, Case No. 20-10312 (BLS)
- Co-counsel to the stalking horse bidder, Promise Healthcare Group, LLC, et al, Case No. 18-12491 (CSS)
- Co-counsel to the stalking horse bidder and DIP lender, Bertucci's Holdings, Inc., et al, Case No. 18-10894 (MFW)
- Co-counsel to the stalking horse bidder, Scottish Holdings, Inc., et al, Case No. 18-10160 (LSS)
- Co-counsel to the stalking horse buyer, DIP Lender, prepetition lender and prepetition agent, AHI Liquidating 123, Inc., Case No. 17-10635 (KG)

Liquidating Fiduciary Representations

- Counsel to the liquidation trustee, VH Legacy/Liquidation, LLC, et al. Case No. 22-11019 (LSS)
- Counsel to the liquidation trustee, The Relay Shoe Company, LLC, et al., Case No. 18-11145 (LSS) (The Rockport Company, LLC, et al.)

Other Significant Representations

- Counsel to special committee, MVK Farmco LLC, et al. Case No. 23-11721 (LSS)
- Co-counsel to group of litigation claimants, Gulf Coast Health Care, LLC, et al., Case No. 21-11336 (KBO)
- Counsel to petitioning creditors, Education Corporate of America, Case No. 20-10034
- Counsel to certain consignment creditors, Sports Authority Holdings, Inc., et al, Case No. 16-10527 (MFW)
- Counsel to the petitioning creditors, Beanstock Media, Inc., Case No. 15-12077 (BLS)
- Co-counsel to major equity holder and litigation counterparty, F-Squared Investment Management, LLC, et al, Case No. 15-11469 (LSS)
- Counsel to state appointed receiver, Columbus Exploration LLC, Case No. 13-10347 (PJW)
- Counsel to large unsecured creditor and litigation counterparty, Blitz U.S.A., Inc., Case No. 11-13603 (CSS)
- Counsel to large unsecured creditors, Barnes Bay Development Ltd., Case No. 11-10792 (PJW)
- Co-counsel to large unsecured creditors and litigation counterparties, Anderson News, LLC, Case No. 09-10695 (CSS)
- Counsel to governmental creditor, DBSI, Inc. et al, Case No. 08-12687 (CSS)

Speaking Engagements

- “Purdue Supreme Court Update,” American Bankruptcy Institute Mid-Atlantic Conference, August 7, 2024
- “The Turnaround Square – Fiduciary Duties,” Turnaround Management Association Webinar, December 20, 2023
- Panelist, “Bankruptcy: Fiduciary Duties During Financial Distress & In Bankruptcy,” 2023 District of Delaware Bench & Bar Conference, September 21, 2023

- Panelist, “Pre-Petition Pitfalls,” 2019 ABI Southeast Bankruptcy Conference, July 19-20, 2019
- “Navigating the Bankruptcy Process for Limited Liability Companies: Significant Considerations in 2019,” Knowledge Group Webinar, June 13, 2019
- “Fraudulent Transfers: Cases, Trends and Updates in the 2019 Minefield,” Knowledge Group Webinar, January 16, 2019

Published In

- *Is this Price Right? – Applying Fiduciary Duties to Bankruptcy Blocking Rights*, XLIV Am. Bankr. Inst. J., Dec. 2025 at 12.
- *Harrington v. Purdue Pharma: An Opening Salvo on Third-Party Releases*, 40 The Review of Banking & Financial Services 121 (Dec. 2024).
- *Privilege in a Sea of Adversaries: A Guide to Navigating the Bounds of Mediation Privilege in Bankruptcy Cases*, _____ (2024) (co-authored with Jesse Noa and Sameen Rizvi)
- *Fraudulent Conveyances: Current Trends And Recent Case Law*, Norton Annual Survey of Bankr. L. ____ (2022) (co-authored with Andy Brown, Elizabeth Schlecker, Sameen Rizvi, and Jesse Hamrick).
- *Removing the Sword: A Path Toward Chapter 7 Trustee Standing to Pursue Creditors’ Committee Derivative Complaints*, 31 Norton Journal of Bankruptcy Law and Practice 211 (2022).
- *Avoiding the Merge: Closing the Dawson Farms Loophole for Bad Actors*, 31 Norton Journal of Bankruptcy Law and Practice 83 (2022) (co-authored with Eric D. Torres).