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INDUSTRIES

Real Estate
Energy

PRACTICE AREAS

Bankruptcy/Restructuring

EDUCATION

JD, 1996, *cum laude*,
Southern Methodist
University Dedman
School of Law

BBA, 1993, *cum laude*,
James Madison
University

ADMITTED

Texas 1996
US District and
Bankruptcy Court for the
Northern District of
Texas
US District and
Bankruptcy Court for the
Southern District of
Texas
US District and
Bankruptcy Court for the
Eastern District of
Texas
US District and
Bankruptcy Court for the
Western District of
Texas

Monica's practice includes representation of debtors, secured and unsecured creditors, and creditors' committees in Chapter 11 bankruptcy proceedings. In addition, Monica represents lenders in out-of-court restructurings. Recently, Monica has worked on the Chapter 11 cases of M.B.S. Management Inc., The Bombay Company, Marcal Paper, Solutia, Inc., Kitty Hawk Airlines and Mirant Corporation.

Monica has received a "BV" rating from Martindale-Hubbell indicating a very high ethical standard and a high to very high legal ability. A "BV" rating is the maximum rating for a lawyer at Monica's experience level. Monica was also named a "Texas Rising Star" in April 2007 by Texas Monthly, magazine. Rising Stars, are the top up-and-coming Texas attorneys who are 40 or younger or have been in practice for fewer than 10 years. Only 2.5 percent of attorneys in the state were chosen for this honor.

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Represented loan services in multiple multimillion-dollar loan restructurings both in and out of bankruptcy court
- Represented secured lenders in assumptions of securitized loans

ARTICLES/PUBLICATIONS

- The Rejectability of Arbitration Clauses: Part II American Bankruptcy Institute Journal (June 1, 2007)
- The Rejectability of Arbitration Clauses American Bankruptcy Institute Journal (April 1, 2007)

BRIEFINGS, SEMINARS & SPEECHES

- "Bankruptcy, What's New?," co-presented with Jason Brookner to the North Texas Paralegal Association, Belo Mansion (March 13, 2008)
- "Technology in the Courtroom," co-presented at the 2008 Trial Academy of the Texas Access to Justice Commission, The University of Texas School of Law, Austin, TX (May 21, 2008)

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PROFESSIONAL/CIVIC AFFILIATIONS

Member

- Fellow of the Texas Bar Foundation
- Board of Directors of Gilda's Club of North Texas
- President of Young Leadership Board of Gilda's Club of North Texas
- Dallas Bar Association
- State Bar of Texas
- John C. Ford American Inn Court - Barrister
- International Women's Insolvency and Restructuring Confederation (IWIRC), Dallas/Ft. Worth Chapter
 - Board of Directors

Listed - Dallas Volunteers Attorney Program's Finest