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Practices: Business Restructuring/Bankruptcy

Industries: Turnaround & Workout

Rakhee Patel is a member of Winstead's Business Restructuring/Bankruptcy Practice Group. Rakhee provides targeted and effective solutions to clients involved in distressed business situations.

With more than 20 years of experience, Rakhee advises public and private companies, debtors, secured and unsecured creditors, landlords, equity holders, trustees and committees in corporate reorganization, business bankruptcy, out-of-court restructuring, and bankruptcy-related litigation including preference, fraudulent transfer, discharge, dischargability and state law-based actions.

Selected industries in which Rakhee has provided restructuring advice include oil & gas services, hospitality (including hotels, lodging and multi-location restaurants), distribution, manufacturing, aviation and start-up ventures.

Following her graduation from law school, Rakhee served as a law clerk for the Honorable Harlin D. "Cooter" Hale, U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the Northern District of Texas, and for the Honorable Robert C. McGuire, former Chief Judge for the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas.

Active in the business community, Rakhee routinely speaks at both local and statewide conferences and seminars on bankruptcy, restructure and workout topics. She is a member of the Steering Committee of the Texas Minority Counsel Program for the State Bar of Texas, and a member of the John C. Ford American Inn of Court.

In recognition of her work in the bankruptcy arena, Rakhee earned selection to *D Magazine's* 2016 listing of the Best Lawyers in Dallas. She also was named to the 2013 - 2016 Texas Super Lawyers listings published by Thomson Reuters Legal, and previously earned recognition on the companion Texas Rising Stars listing published by Thomson Reuters Legal, in each year from 2005 to 2012.

Professional & Community Service

- Texas Minority Counsel Program, Steering Committee
- John C. Ford American Inn of Court, Member
- American Bankruptcy Institute, Member
- Dallas Bankruptcy Association Bankruptcy & Commercial Law Section, Treasurer

Awards & Recognition

- *Chambers USA Guide to America*, Chambers & Partners Publishing, 2019, 2020
- *The Best Lawyers in America*, Woodward/White Inc., 2018-2020
- The Best Lawyers in Dallas, *D Magazine*, 2015-2016, 2018-2020



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Education

Tulane University Law School

J.D., 1996

University of Florida

B.S., 1993

- Texas Super Lawyers, Thomson Reuters, 2013-2019
- Texas Rising Star, Thomson Reuters, 2005-2012

Admissions

- Texas, 1996
- U.S. District and Bankruptcy Courts, Northern, Eastern, Western and Southern Districts of Texas
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit