

# **Akerman Welcomes Mark Lichtenstein to Bankruptcy and Reorganization Practice Group in New York**

Akerman LLP, a top 100 U.S. law firm serving clients across the Americas, welcomes Mark Lichtenstein to the firm's Bankruptcy and Reorganization Practice Group. Lichtenstein brings extensive experience working with corporate and distressed assets, particularly while resolving restructurings and bankruptcy matters on behalf of private equity firms, financial institutions, and hedge funds.

"The COVID-19 pandemic has brought companies across all industries severe disruption, distress or uncertainty," said Bankruptcy and Reorganization Practice Group Chair Andrea Hartley. "Mark brings important experience, critical to helping our clients navigate financial complexities as a result of the current economic fallout."

Lichtenstein focuses his practice on a broad range of corporate and bankruptcy matters, including restructuring of private equity portfolio companies, bankruptcy litigation, and the acquisition of assets in bankruptcy cases, as well as workouts, creditors' rights litigation, distressed real estate matters, and commercial counseling. He also has experience in structured finance transactions and the rendering of opinions in connection with these transactions.

In addition, Lichtenstein has experience representing secured and unsecured creditors, indenture trustees, debtors, Chapter 7 and Chapter 11 Trustees, landlords, and licensees and licensors of intellectual property. He has handled bankruptcy litigation, including fraudulent conveyance, preferential

transfer, breach of fiduciary duty, recharacterization, involuntary bankruptcy and equitable subordination cases. Lichtenstein also has experience in corporate and real estate transactions and non-bankruptcy litigations, including foreclosure actions in the CMBS context or otherwise, lender liability actions, and partnership and corporate disputes.

#### About Akerman

Akerman LLP is a top 100 U.S. law firm recognized among the most forward thinking firms in the industry by Financial Times. Its more than 700 lawyers and business professionals collaborate with the world's most successful enterprises and entrepreneurs to navigate change, seize opportunities, and help drive innovation and growth. Akerman is known for its results in middle market M&A and complex disputes, and for helping clients achieve their most important business objectives in the financial services, real estate and other dynamic sectors across the United States and Latin America.

Akerman's Bankruptcy and Reorganization Practice Group serves as a strategic partner to creditors, distressed businesses, court appointed committees, and various fiduciaries. Our team—which includes lawyers certified in Business Bankruptcy by the American Board of Bankruptcy Certification—has served as bankruptcy counsel in many of the nation's largest bankruptcy filings. Creative and cost-effective, we work closely with clients to resolve financial issues quickly, whether through bankruptcy or out-of-court solutions.