

Michael Fisco joins DLA Piper's Finance Practice in Minneapolis

DLA Piper announced that **Michael Fisco** has joined the firm's finance practice as partner in the Minneapolis office.

In a release, the firm said Fisco counsels clients, including banks, investment funds, debt purchasers and various creditors, on complex bankruptcy and restructuring matters. He works with distressed debt purchasers, indenture trustees and bondholders in restructuring corporate bond defaults, and he has successfully settled numerous high-value domestic claims.

"Multinational financial corporations continue to find themselves facing unclear, complex transactional matters that require strong and experienced counsel," said John Cusack, global co-chairman of DLA Piper's Finance practice. "Michael's proven ability to manage high-profile transactions, debt restructuring and insolvency matters across the US and around the world will immediately strengthen our finance offerings to clients."

Fisco has represented global asset management firms and leading U.S. banks regarding structured products in Asia and the United Kingdom, including the administration of a \$2 billion claim in the Enron bankruptcy case.

"The Twin Cities are home to numerous Fortune 500 companies and global financial institutions," said Kathleen Smith Ruhland, managing partner of DLA Piper's Minneapolis office. "Michael's strong experience combined with DLA Piper's global platform will be an important value add for our clients."

Fisco joins DLA Piper from Faegre Baker Daniels in Minneapolis, where he had served previously as the Finance and

Restructuring practice leader and Financial Services industry team leader. He earned his J.D., with honors, from the Hamline University School of Law and his B.A. from the University of Minnesota.

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