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#### SERVICES

Bankruptcy and Restructuring

Michael L. Gesas focuses on bankruptcy law in Illinois and Chapter 11 representation in the State of Delaware. Michael represents creditors and commercial debtors in corporate and business reorganizations. His practice includes liquidation proceedings, compositions, assignments for the benefit of creditors, asset acquisitions and sales through the bankruptcy court and other forums, workouts, contract negotiations and related commercial representation and litigation.

Michael is an adjunct professor at the John Marshall Law School. He teaches the real estate law class, "Bankruptcy and Insolvency Laws Affecting Real Estate." He has also been a speaker for the Illinois Institute for Continuing Legal Education and the United States Environmental Protection Agency.

#### HONORS

Named to the Lawdragon 500 Leading U.S. Bankruptcy & Restructuring Lawyers, 2020

Named the 2016 Recipient of the John Marshall Law School Alumni Association's 42nd Annual Freedom and Distinguished Service Awards

Rated highest AV® Preeminent™ 5.0 out of 5.0 rating by Martindale-Hubbell

Rated highest AV® Preeminent™ Judicial Edition, 2015

Named the "Illinois Super Lawyers List" by *Super Lawyers* Magazine, 2012 to present

Named to Corporate Counsel's "Top Lawyers: Bankruptcy And Creditor-Debtor Rights Law" List

Named to the 2002 "Top 5% Illinois corporate attorneys in the field of bankruptcy and workout law" list by Law Bulletin Publishing Company

## MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS

American Bar Association

Illinois State Bar Association

Chicago Bar Association's Bankruptcies and Reorganization Committee

Commercial Law League of America

## EDUCATION

J.D., John Marshall School of Law, 1984

B.A., University of Wisconsin, 1979

## BAR ADMISSION

Illinois

## FIRM MANAGEMENT POSITIONS

Bankruptcy and Restructuring, Vice Chair