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Finance

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Gregory Vizza concentrates his practice on business restructuring, bankruptcy, and financial services. He is a business lawyer representing a diversity of clients in both transactional and litigation matters, including:

- restructurings, reorganizations, and workouts
- secured transactions and creditors' rights
- bankruptcy and consumer mortgage litigation
- asset sales
- asset-based financing
- plan negotiations

Greg's clients include:

- banks, commercial finance companies, and other institutional lenders
- secured and unsecured creditors
- creditors' committees
- asset purchasers
- chapter 15 foreign representatives
- liquidating trustees

Greg also prosecutes and defends against avoidance and fraudulent transfer actions brought in large chapter 11 cases and represents financial institutions and regulated entities in consumer loan disputes involving consumer protection statutes in both federal and state courts.

Before joining Blank Rome, Greg served as a law clerk for the Honorable Thomas M. Golden, United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

While in law school, Greg served as a judicial intern in the Chambers of United States Magistrate Judge Timothy R. Rice. Greg also was a staff member of the *Temple Law Review*.

## Outside The Firm

Greg is a member of the Board of Trustees of LaSalle Academy, an independent, non-Archdiocesan elementary school located in North Philadelphia, for children in grades 3 through 8 whose potential is limited by financial, social, academic, or emotional challenges, and whose parents desire, but cannot afford, a Catholic education.

## Select Engagements

### Bankruptcy, Restructuring, and Bankruptcy Litigation

- Central Grocers, Inc., as counsel to Agent national bank under prepetition syndicated loan and \$205 million post-petition DIP financing in the retail cooperative's and affiliated entities' chapter 11 cases (Chicago, IL).
- Beauty Brands, LLC, as counsel to Agent national bank under prepetition loan and \$9 million post-petition DIP financing in the beauty products retailer's and affiliated entities' chapter 11 cases (Wilmington, DE).
- Francis Drilling Fluids, Ltd., as counsel to Agent national bank under \$50 million prepetition loan and in connection with debtors' use of cash collateral and subsequent sale of debtors' assets under Bankruptcy Code § 363 in the oil and gas industry service provider's and affiliated entities' chapter 11 cases (Houston, TX).
- Haggen Holdings, Inc., as counsel to Agent national bank under prepetition syndicated ABL loan and \$215 million post-petition DIP financing for 168-store supermarket chain (Wilmington, DE).
- USA Discounters, Inc., as counsel to Agent under \$60 million secured facility (Wilmington, DE).
- Edwin Watts, as counsel to Agent national bank in a \$38 million debtor-in-possession financing and 363 sale (Wilmington, DE).
- Daebo International Shipping, as counsel to foreign representative of Korean bulk product shipping line in its Chapter 15 case (New York, NY).
- Beacon Power as counsel to the creditors' committee of a green energy developer and manufacturer of flywheel technology for electricity grid operation (Wilmington, DE).
- Clearwater Natural Resources, LP, as counsel to the creditors' committee of an Appalachian coal enterprise (Lexington, KY).
- A national bank, counsel in restructuring of \$25 million revolving credit facility and \$10 million term loan.
- A national bank, as counsel in connection with public sale of Borrowers' assets under Article 9 of the Uniform Commercial Code.
- A national bank, counsel in \$50 million loan sale in energy industry.
- A Pennsylvania utility provider, counsel in commercial and consumer

bankruptcy matters.

- A commercial landlord, counsel in various bankruptcy disputes concerning 363 sales, rent obligations, and assignment/rejection of leases.
- Several national mortgage lenders, defended in a variety of consumer finance and predatory lending cases.

## Financing

- A private credit fund, counsel in connection with \$25 million of debt and equity investments in a staffing and human resources company.
- A private equity firm, counsel in connection with its acquisition, recapitalization, and financing of a global provider of proprietary testing, certification and software products to the food and agriculture industries.
- A national bank, as agent and lender, counsel in a \$24.6 million revolving credit facility and \$4.6 million term loan to finance real estate and working capital needs of distributor of seeds, plants and gardening supplies.
- A leading provider of crane rentals and related services, counsel in connection with structuring, negotiating, and documenting a refinancing of its second-lien term loan credit facility.

## Admissions

- Pennsylvania
- New Jersey
- United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit
- U.S. District Court - Eastern District of Pennsylvania
- U.S. District Court - New Jersey

## Memberships

- Philadelphia Bar Association
- Pennsylvania Bar Association
- Temple University School of Law Alumni Association
- Turnaround Management Association

## Education

- Villanova University, BA, cum laude
- Temple University Beasley School of Law, JD, cum laude

## Recognitions

- 2015–2017, “Pennsylvania Rising Star” in Bankruptcy, listed in *Super Lawyers*®
- 2015–2017, “New Jersey Rising Star” in Bankruptcy, listed in *Super Lawyers*®