David J. Matthews

Partner

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Practices

FOCUS: Structured Finance and Securitization

Industries

Finance and Financial Markets

Education

JD, Northwestern University School of Law MM, University of Florida BM, Northwestern University

Bar Admissions

District of Columbia New York David Matthews concentrates his practice on structured finance and securitization transactions. He represents US government-sponsored enterprises (GSE), captive finance companies, specialty consumer finance companies and investment firms. David helps these clients to monetize assets through structured finance and securitization technologies or through lending and leveraged asset acquisition arrangements. He also helps companies access the financial markets, deal with regulators like the SEC and navigate shifting economic and regulatory landscapes.

Understanding your business makes negotiating deals easier

David regularly represents parties to public and private transactions involving residential mortgages, auto floorplan loans, small- and mid-ticket equipment loans and leases, and personal loans. He has extensive experience helping clients in the mortgage space, including GSE, private-label and cross-border mortgage transactions, and he has advised on GSE credit risk transfer programs since their inception.

All of this know-how in a variety of structured finance focus areas eliminates the need for David to "get up to speed" or to have to involve a large attorney team. In fact, his breadth of experience means other attorneys frequently ask him for advice about how legal issues play out and have been addressed in the past.

While attending law school, David was an executive editor of the *Journal of International Law & Business*.

Previously, David worked at a bank and at a mortgage lender.

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Recognitions

Recognized or listed in the following:

- The Legal 500 United States
 - o Recommended Attorney, 2021

News

- David Matthews Explains Which Securitizations are Exempt From CTA Reporting for Asset Securitization Report (December 6, 2023)
- Katten Receives High Marks in Derivatives, M&A and Securitization in The Legal 500 United States 2021 Guide (June 10, 2021)
- Law360 Celebrates Katten's New Partner Class (February 8, 2021)
- Katten Announces New Partner Class (October 30, 2020)

Publications

- Action Required: Corporate Transparency Act Reporting Is Here (November 8, 2023)
- ZING VII—Implications for the Bankruptcy Remoteness of Special Purpose Entities (September 28, 2011)
- "Ruined in a Conventional Way: Responses to Credit Ratings' Role in Credit Crises," 29 NW. J. INT'L L. & BUS. 245 (January 1, 2009)