

Special Report

People to Watch – 2011 Business Professionals Making Their Mark

Name	Firm	Outstanding Achievements
Elizabeth Abrams	Miller Buckfire & Co. New York, NY Elizabeth.abrams@ millerbuckfire.com	Financial advisor to General Growth Properties, among the largest - \$27.3 billion in debt - and most complex restructurings ever. Notable for creditors being paid in full; equity holders receiving substantial return; the first Chapter 11 debtor to relist on the NYSE prior to emergence from bankruptcy. Represented American Capital (ACAS), in its restructuring in late June 2010.
John R. Boken	Zolfo Cooper New York / Los Angeles jboken@zolfocooper.com	In 2010 concurrently served as CRO for Flying J in complex Chapter 11 restructuring that delivered full recovery in cash plus interest to over 1.8 billion in creditor claims and retained significant value for pre-petition equity. Since 2008 has served as CEO/CRO for TOUSA in complex wind-down case dominated by a closely followed fraudulent conveyance ruling.
Rick Heller	Carl Marks Advisory Group New York, NY rheller@carlmarks.com	Served as interim CEO for Sleep Innovations, transforming an \$18 million EBITDA loss into a \$29 million EBITDA profit in 12 months by reducing costs, eliminating unprofitable accounts, consolidating plants, improving the supply chain, etc.
William H. Henrich	Getzler Henrich & Associates New York, NY whenrich@getzlerhenrich.com	CRO, Moonlight Basin – guided Lehman-financed Montana ski resort through Chapter 11. CRO, Precision Valve Corporation – steered nearly \$30 million EBITDA improvement, negotiated restructured credit agreement, and advised on recapitalization transactions. Co-CRO, National Envelope Company – successfully led through 363 sale yielding substantial creditor recovery.
David Herman	Gordian Group New York, NY dh@gordiangroup.com	Notable engagements in the past year include Lexington Precision, Ramsey Industries, Spansion, Schutt Sports, and TLC Vision. Prior assignments include Enron, IES, LTV Steel, Mississippi Chemical, Parmalat, RAB Food, Solutia, Summit Global Logistics, and United Rentals.
David C. Johnston	AlixPartners New York, NY djohnston@alixpartners.com	CFO for the \$3.5 billion distressed consultancy BearingPoint, an engagement named TMA's Mega Transaction of the Year for maintaining company operations while executing a series of strategic sales leading to 100% recovery for lenders in 7 months. Also served in interim management or advisory roles at Remy International, Calpine, SemGroup, and others.
M. Benjamin Jones	Conway Del Genio Gries & Co. New York, NY bjones@cdgco.com	Interim CFO and 363 sale advisor to Penn Traffic, \$1 billion retailer – 4,000 jobs saved with major recoveries to all creditors; CRO of Haven Healthcare, \$300 million operator – orderly break-up and return of assets to creditors with no patient care or regulatory issues; restructuring advisor to Carastar, \$700 million packaging company – pre-negotiated Chapter 11 accomplished in less than 90 days.
Sheon Karol	CRG Partners New York, NY Sheon.Karol@CRGPartners.com	CRO of \$1 billion private company, including successful renegotiation of its debt. Financial advisor to Grupo Mexico in its successful retention of equity in ASARCO's contested confirmation hearing. Financial advisor to a bio-pharma company in successful renegotiation of its debt. Advisor to CRO in sale of Texas Rangers baseball team.
Edna Lee	Mesirow Financial Consulting New York, NY elee@mesirowfinancial.com	Currently serving as financial advisor to The Brown Publishing Company, certain noteholders in the bankruptcy of Tribune, and litigation trustee in bankruptcy of Quebecor. Other notable engagements include advising UCC of Chrysler, Atlas Air, UAL, and lenders to REIT with \$3 billion in CDOs.
Ari Lefkovits	Lazard New York, NY ari.lefkovits@lazard.com	Led Lazard team in role as FA in several high-profile hotel and real estate development company restructurings: \$3.9 billion sale of Extended Stay hotels, reorganization of Crescent Resources, and ongoing negotiations in the nearly \$2 billion Highland Hospitality restructuring.
Seymour Preston, Jr.	Goldin Associates New York, NY spreston@goldinassociates.com	Successfully advised lenders in Lyondell and bondholders in Abitibi Bowater cases in connection with contested confirmation hearings. Also advised Tribune creditors committee, Lehman SIPC trustee, ResCap directors, and major creditor to Taylor Bean Whittaker.
Dennis Stogsdill	Alvarez & Marsal New York, NY dstogsdill@alvarezandmarsal.com	Co-head of A&M's Creditor Advisory Group. Notable creditor assignments include Mark IV, Lee Enterprises, Oriental Trading, Oneida, and Exide Technologies. Has also served on company side advising EnviroSolutions, McClatchy, and as CRO of international medical device company.
David Tolly	Focus Management Group Tampa, FL d.tolly@focusmg.com	\$367 million manufacturer/distributor of fashion wear – FA to lender to Wachovia during bankruptcy and 363 sale. \$118 million food vending comp – prepared situational analysis for Capital Source. \$568 million manufacturer of tubing and piping – engaged by CIT to evaluate business plans and possible sale. \$87 million producer of recycled paper pulp – FA then became CRO to conduct private sale.
Mark Welch	MorrisAnderson Pittsburgh, PA/Cleveland, OH mwelch@morrisanderson.com	Recent work includes financial advisor to Gulfstream Crane, CRO to Zieger Crane, bank financial advisor on SpringBok, UCC financial advisor on Mount Vernon Monetary Management.
Steven R. Wybo	Conway MacKenzie Birmingham, MI SWybo@ConwayMacKenzie.com	Recently advised a \$350 million jail management company; \$500 million automotive supplier; \$150 million automotive supplier, serving as interim CFO; and Plastech, a \$1 billion automotive supplier, assisting in orderly sale of two divisions in a bankruptcy case that resulted in a significant recovery where DIP lenders were paid in full.