

Special Report

People to Watch – 2017 Business Professionals Making Their Mark

Name	Firm	Outstanding Achievements
Robin Chiu	Goldin Associates New York, NY RChiu@GoldinAssociates.com	Managing director, helped lead several major engagements, including restructuring of Big Apple Circus, representation of debtors in Chapter 11 proceedings of China Fishery/Pacific Andes Group, and regulator-mandated supervision of operational reforms of major mortgage servicer. Key member of firm's team representing ad hoc group of general obligation bond holders in Puerto Rico.
Evan Hengel	FTI Consulting Los Angeles, CA evan.hengel@fticonsulting.com	Managing director. Served as interim CFO for IMRIS; managed liquidity for Quiksilver during its restructuring; and managed liquidity, business plan, and asset sale process for Sports Authority. Involved in assets sales of Orchard Supply Hardware, Trident Microsystems, and Hostess Brands. Advised RadioShack through initial restructuring of its distressed retail operations.
Michael E. Jacoby	Phoenix Management Services Philadelphia, PA mjacoby@phoenixmanagement.com	Co-head of Phoenix and its investment banking affiliate, has been involved in 270+ engagements. Recently served as CRO and/or investment banker in several cases to effectuate a restructuring and sale, including: Phoenix Payment Systems, AF Southeast, and Flour City Bagels. Also served as financial advisor and investment banker to Binder Machinery in its sale to Komatsu America.
Kent Percy	AlixPartners New York, NY kpercy@alixpartners.com	Director, currently leading firm's media and entertainment industry initiative. Set up Treasury operations and infrastructure for newly formed entities at three separate clients (Eastman Kodak spinoff, Caesars REIT, and private equity portfolio company) and enhanced Treasury operations at another PE firm's portfolio company. Served interim officer role at publicly-traded media company.
Frank Pometti	Zolfo Cooper New York, NY FPometti@zolfocooper.com	Senior director, led firm in negotiating and implementing complex transactions essential to successful restructuring of ETX Energy (f/k/a New Gulf Resources) in its pre-arranged Chapter 11. Served as deputy CRO for Milagro Exploration and advised board of public energy company (over \$40 billion in assets) and Official Committee of Retired Employees of American Airlines.
Walter E. Popiel	Conway MacKenzie Birmingham, MI WPopiel@ConwayMacKenzie.com	As managing director led advisory team responsible for successful restructuring and sale of U.S. Manufacturing, a critical supplier of highly specialized axle housings for the automotive industry, solving a significant industry problem and saving over 1,300 jobs. Served as CRO for M Space Holdings, navigating immediate crisis while preserving collateral for successful bankruptcy filing.
John Singh	PJT Partners New York, NY SinghJ@pjtpartners.com	Managing director of firm's restructuring and special situations group. Played major role in many high-profile matters, including Financial Guaranty Insurance Company, Kerzner International, MBIA regarding Bank of America litigation, Nortel Networks, and Houston Astros. Led highly-complex restructuring assignments for CHC Helicopter and Homer City Generation regarding GE.
Jeffery J. Stegenga	Alvarez & Marsal Dallas, TX jstegenga@alvarezandmarsal.com	Managing director, currently serving as financial advisor to Energy Future Holdings in \$40 billion-plus restructuring. Over the last decade, has worked almost exclusively on large, complex company-side engagements in a wide variety of industries, including representations of Hawker Beechcraft, Blockbuster, Visteon, Lear Automotive, Masonite, SIRVA, and Vertis Communications.
Alexander Svoyskiy	Perella Weinberg Partners New York, NY asvoyskiy@pwwpartners.com	One of the firm's most experienced directors, has played a significant role in several major recent engagements, including as investment banker to Atlas Resource Partners, a master-limited partnership, in prepackaged restructuring that reduced debt by approx. \$900 million and interest expense by \$80 million per year. Serving as investment banker to Memorial Production Partners.
Travis K. Vandell	JND Legal Administration Denver, CO travis.vandell@jndla.com	CEO of JND Corporate Restructuring. Has streamlined and simplified the administrative aspects of corporate bankruptcy for companies and legal and financial professionals with innovative strategies and technology applications. Co-founded UpShot Services. Has managed some of the largest restructuring matters, including General Growth Properties, The Sharper Image, and Six Flags.