

STRUCTURED FINANCE & DERIVATIVES

AT A GLANCE

McDermott Will & Emery's Structured Finance & Derivatives Practice Group provides a full range of services related to structured finance, securitization and derivatives solutions through the Firm's U.S. and European offices. We understand that these sectors have become increasingly integrated within the financial services industry. Our international, integrated group of highly experienced lawyers is organized to service client needs and related business demands. The industry faces an ever-changing transactional and regulatory landscape, and our goal is to assist clients in realizing their business goals in these evolving markets.

Experience

Our approach is multi-disciplinary: we draw upon the wide-ranging experiences of our securities, bank regulatory, tax, insolvency and employee benefits lawyers. Our focus is singular: we efficiently and effectively help our clients achieve their financing and risk management goals.

Securitization: Our team represents corporate sponsors, as well as commercial and investment banks, finance companies, hedge funds, insurance companies, investment managers and pension funds. Our experience includes the following:

- Collateralized debt obligations (CDOs), collateralized loan obligations (CLOs), collateralized bond obligations (CBOs) and collateralized fund obligations (CFOs)
- Formation and financing through asset-backed commercial paper programs
- Public and private term securitizations of credit card, lease and other receivables.

Derivatives: Our team represents clients structuring various over-the-counter derivative products. We provide tax planning, regulatory advice and transactional advice to commercial and investment banks and other derivatives dealers, corporate end-users, public and private funds, insurance companies and pension funds. Our experience includes the following:

- Transactional work, documentation and insolvency issues
- Dealer and end-user tax and regulatory planning and defense
- Market leading energy team

Structured Transactions: Our team represents issuers and dealers in fund linked and other structured securities. We also advise on cross-border structured transactions and insurance-related transactions, providing tax, regulatory and transactional advice.

International Reach

We support our New York and London centered practices in offices throughout our U.S. and international network, including a strategic alliance with MWE China Law Offices in Shanghai. We demonstrate our strong international presence by our ability to work seamlessly across borders and provide our clients with cutting-edge advice across Asia, Europe and the United States. Our in-depth knowledge is supported by our global banking and finance, tax, capital markets and corporate lawyers.

Scope of Services

- Innovative securitization, structured finance & derivatives solutions
- Transactions & controversy resolution

Our Team

40+ lawyers

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Awards & Recognition

Our structured finance and derivatives practice is recognized as leading in the field:

- The UK edition of *Legal 500 2007* noted that “credit, equity and fund-linked derivatives, plus regulatory advice, are key strengths at McDermott.”
- BTI Consulting Group, Inc., recognized our Firm as a “major player” among transactional law firms for both domestic and cross-border transactions in *Law Firm Leaders and Contenders in the Corporate Transactions Market 2007*.
- BTI also recognized McDermott as a best-in-class performer in the *2007 BTI Power Rankings: The BTI Client Relationship Scorecard* for more “primary relationships,” “greater go-to status,” higher client satisfaction and more client recommendations.

Our Firm

McDermott Will & Emery is a leading international law firm with a diversified business practice. We represent a wide range of commercial, industrial and financial enterprises, both publicly and privately held. Our clientele include some of the world’s largest corporations, small and medium-sized businesses, and individuals.

Currently numbering more than 1,100 lawyers, we have offices in Boston, Brussels, Chicago, Düsseldorf, Houston, London, Los Angeles, Miami, Munich, New York, Orange County, Rome, San Diego, Silicon Valley and Washington, D.C. McDermott Will & Emery has a strategic alliance with MWE China Law Offices (Shanghai).