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Rosa Evergreen is a partner in the firm's Bankruptcy and Restructuring practice. She has been recognized by a number of leading publications for her bankruptcy practice, including *Chambers USA* (2015–2025), which has described her as “tenacious” and a “brilliant lawyer,” someone who “fights hard for clients”, “understands every aspect of a deal”, “knows the ins and outs” of bankruptcy, and has “great creativity” and “strong legal and strategic instincts.”

Rosa has experience in all aspects of bankruptcy and corporate restructuring, including complex Chapter 11 cases, asset dispositions and bankruptcy litigation, as well as out of court restructurings and receivership cases. She has been involved in bankruptcy cases in a wide range of industries across the country, including financial services, retail, real estate, environmental, oil and gas, hospitality and healthcare, among others.

Rosa has been involved in a number of large bankruptcies, including, Spirit Airlines, Yellow Corporation, Extraction Oil & Gas, General Motors, LandAmerica, Lehman Brothers, Quebecor, Reader's Digest, The PMI Group, Vertis, and Windstream. She has acted on behalf of corporate debtors, secured and unsecured creditors, bondholders, lenders, trade vendors and suppliers, landlords, contract counterparties, private equity funds, investors and asset purchasers, and individuals and businesses involved in bankruptcy court litigation. She also has experience advising boards of directors and individual officers and directors in insolvency-related matters.

Rosa clerked for the Honorable Stephen C. St. John of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Virginia. While earning her law degree at William & Mary, she was the Symposium Editor on the *William & Mary Law Review* and a teaching assistant for Evidence, and upon graduation was elected to Order of the Coif.

Rosa is a frequent speaker and writer on bankruptcy-related topics. She served as a research fellow for the American Bankruptcy Institute Commission to Study the Reform of Chapter 11. She has presented at the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges, conferences for the American Bankruptcy Institute and the American Bar Association, and many other conferences and venues. She was the editor for [Driving the Recovery Bus: Augmenting Creditor Recoveries Through Claims Brought by a Litigation Trustee](#), published by the ABI in 2024. Rosa also maintains an active pro bono practice and she is active in the firm and the community. She chairs the firm's associate professional development

Areas of Focus

- Bankruptcy and Restructuring
- Corporate Governance
- Distressed M&A and Asset Acquisition
- Environmental
- Private Equity

Education

- J.D., College of William and Mary Law School, 2005, Order of the Coif
- M.B.A., College of William and Mary, 2005
- B.A., Sociology and Psychology, Georgetown University, 2000, *magna cum laude*

Admissions

- District of Columbia
- Virginia
- U.S. District Court, District of Columbia
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Virginia
- U.S. District Court, District of Maryland
- U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Eastern District of Virginia
- U.S. Bankruptcy Court, District of Maryland

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committee and she serves on the boards for the International Women's Insolvency & Restructuring Confederation and the Turnaround Management Association. In 2018, Rosa received the D.C. Bar's Laura N. Rinaldi Pro Bono Lawyer of the Year award.

Experience

Bankruptcy and Corporate Restructuring

- *Novartis Innovative Therapies AG* as the buyer of certain assets of Clovis Technology Inc. in its Delaware Chapter 11 proceedings.
- *BP Global Products* in Limetree Bay Refinery's Chapter 11 proceedings in the Southern District of Texas.
- *DCP Operating Company, LP* in the Chapter 11 proceedings of Extraction Oil & Gas Inc.
- *Quad/Graphics Inc.* as the buyer of substantially all of the assets of Vertis Holdings, Inc. and its affiliated entities in their Delaware Chapter 11 proceedings.
- *PMI Mortgage Insurance Company* in connection with its Arizona receivership and the Delaware Chapter 11 proceeding of its parent company, The PMI Group, Inc.
- *Quebecor World (USA) Inc. and its 52 affiliated debtors* as debtors' counsel in their successful Chapter 11 reorganization, *In re Quebecor World (USA) Inc.* (08-10152), pending in the Southern District of New York.
- *Creditors and other parties-in-interest* in the Lehman Brothers bankruptcy and SIPA proceedings, including the Federal Housing Finance Agency, as Conservator of Freddie Mac and Fannie Mae.
- *Cortland Capital Market Services LLC*, in its role as agent with respect to first lien credit facilities in the Chapter 11 proceedings of Windstream.
- *The acquirer of the equity in the W Hotel in Union Square* in New York City from the mezzanine lender in the lender's Chapter 11 proceedings the District of Delaware.
- *Health Care REIT* in the LandAmerica bankruptcy in the Eastern District of Virginia; obtained \$137 million recovery on an expedited basis.
- *The Robert and Dee Leggett Foundation*, a charitable and preservationist foundation, in connection with the Virginia bankruptcy proceeding of Loudoun Heights, LLC.
- *International company listed on the Oslo Stock Exchange* in its acquisition of certain assets of a provider of tactical integrated electronic systems from a state law insolvency proceeding.
- *Trade vendors* on relationships with debtors, including issues such as reclamation, offset and recoupment.
- *Investors and asset purchasers* in section 363 sales.
- *Landlords and counterparties to executory contracts* in bankruptcy proceedings throughout the United States.

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- *Officers and directors of bankrupt companies*, including advising officers and directors on fiduciary duties and responsibilities, representing officers and directors with respect to indemnification and D&O insurance claims in bankruptcy proceedings, and defending litigation.
- *American Capital* in a federal class action case under the Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act (WARN Act).

Recognition

- International Women's Insolvency and Restructuring Confederation (IWIRC) Woman of the Year in Restructuring (2025)
- *The Deal*
Top Women in Dealmaking: Restructuring (2023)
- *Chambers USA*
Bankruptcy/Restructuring (Washington, D.C.) (2015-2025)
- *Washingtonian* Magazine
"Top Lawyers" Bankruptcy (2017-2024)
- *Best Lawyers*
Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law (Washington, D.C.) (2018-2026)
Litigation — Bankruptcy (Washington, D.C.) (2020-2026)
"Lawyers of the Year" Litigation: Bankruptcy (Washington, D.C.) (2022)
- *Lawdragon*
"Leading Global Lawyer" Bankruptcy and Restructuring (2024-2025)
"Leading U.S. Lawyer" Bankruptcy & Restructuring (2020-2023)
- *The Legal 500 US*
Restructuring (Including Bankruptcy): Corporate (2022)
- *Americas Women in Business Law Awards*
Shortlisted "Restructuring & Insolvency Lawyer of the Year" (2023)
- *Business Today*
Top 10 Most Influential Bankruptcy Lawyers in District of Columbia (2023)
- *DCA Live*
Emerging Women Leaders in Law (2022)
- *Washington, DC Super Lawyers*
Bankruptcy, Creditor Debtor Rights (2017-2025)
"Rising Star" Bankruptcy, Creditor Debtor Rights (2016)
- American Bankruptcy Institute
"40 Under 40" (2018)
- DC Bar
Laura N. Rinaldi Pro Bono Lawyer of the Year Award (2018)
- *Turnarounds & Workouts*
Outstanding Young Restructuring Lawyers (2017)

Professional and Community Activities

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- Member, International Women's Insolvency & Restructuring Confederation (IWIRC) (Director and Washington, D.C. Network Board Member)
- Member, Turnaround Management Association (TMA) (Member of Board of Directors, Chair of Network for NOW, Chesapeake Chapter of TMA)
- Member, Board of Directors for Arlington Arts Center (2018-2025)
- Advisory Committee, *William & Mary Journal of Race, Gender, and Social Justice* (previously known as *William & Mary Journal of Women and the Law*)
- Barrister, Walter Chandler American Inn of Court
- Member, American Bar Association (ABA) (Business Bankruptcy Committee for the Business Law Section, and ABA Women Rainmakers)
- Member, American Bankruptcy Institute (ABI)
- Served as an attorney co-chair for "Roadways to the Federal Bench" (2023)
- Member, Advisory Board for ABI's Views from the Bench (2022-2025)
- Steering Committee for the ABI "40 under 40" Program (2022-2025)
- Steering Committee for Tina's Wish (2022- 2025)
- Member of TMA Symposium Executive Committee, TMA Mid-Atlantic Regional Symposium (2022, 2023)
- ABI NYC Professional Development Conference Advisory Board (2019)
- Served as Research Fellow for the ABI Commission to Study the Reform of Chapter 11
- Served as Member of ABI Workshop Advisory Council, ABI Workshop: Turnaround and Secured Lending Program (2016)
- Served as Member of ABI Workshop Advisory Council, ABI Workshop: Lending to Distressed Companies: Credit Analysis to Exit Strategy (or Keeping the Benefit of Your Bargain) (2014)