

Alexander Perez

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ATTORNEY | BUSINESS BANKRUPTCY | HUGHES WATTERS ASKANASE, LLP

Alex joined Hughes Watters Askanase in July 2019 to enhance the firm's Business Bankruptcy practice area. The firm's reputation as a leader in the practice of bankruptcy and restructuring law in Texas and beyond was a key factor that led Alex to join HWA.

Alex represents debtors, creditors, chapter 7 trustees, and post-confirmation liquidating trustees in all manner of complex business bankruptcy and insolvency related matters in bankruptcy courts across Texas and the US.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Hughes Watters Askanase, LLP, Houston, TX

7/2019-present

Attorney

Alex focuses his practice on complex business bankruptcy matters, including all manner of debtor and creditor representations in chapter 7 and chapter 11 cases. He also focuses on representation of both chapter 7 trustees and post-confirmation liquidating trustees as well as insolvency-related litigation, including prosecution and defense of preference and fraudulent transfer actions. His experience includes the hospitality, food service, healthcare, transportation, finance, and oil and gas industries.

- Represented debtor hotel operator with regard to 363 sale of hotel free and clear of liens, interests, and encumbrances for approximately \$9.8 million.
- Represented secured creditor in obtaining relief from automatic stay in early phase of chapter 11 case.
- Represented chapter 7 trustee of health insurance payment processor in all matters relating to the administration of the bankruptcy estate, including collection of assets and prosecution of preference and fraudulent conveyance actions.
- Represented chapter 7 trustee of trailer manufacturing company in all matters relating to the administration of the bankruptcy estate, including use of cash collateral and 363 sale of assets free and clear of liens, interests, and encumbrances.
- Represented liquidating trustee in all aspects of administration of the creditor trust, including collection of assets and objection to claimed administrative expenses.

Foster LLP, Houston, TX

9/2015–7/2019

Attorney

Represented high-net wealth immigrant investors and real estate and hospitality project developers on the use of the EB-5 regional center program.

- Represented individual immigrant investors as they navigated the multi-step, multi-year process of obtaining a green card based on a qualifying job-creating investment of \$500,000 or more.
- Guided real estate and hospitality project developers on both project structure and use of investment capital towards job-creating uses in compliance with federal regulation and oversight.

Diamond McCarthy LLP, Houston, TX

5/2013–8/2015

Attorney

Represented clients in all manner of complex business bankruptcy matters and insolvency-related litigation.

- Represented liquidating trustee in clawback litigation against multinational law firm debtor's former law partners.
- Represented chapter 7 trustee in administration of the bankruptcy estate of a multinational oil and gas exploration and production firm.
- Defended a prominent real estate investor in state court securities fraud litigation.

Law Clerk to Chief United States Bankruptcy Judge Mary D. France, Harrisburg, PA

8/2010–9/2012

Attorney

Served as law clerk to United States Bankruptcy Judge handling all manner of matters relating to preparation for daily hearing schedule and trial and post-hearing or trial issuance of the court's ruling.

- Prepared and signed approximately 2,000 post-hearing orders.
- Drafted legal opinions on dispositive motions and after trial.
- Conducted pre-trial conferences.

EDUCATION

Vanderbilt University Law School , Nashville, TN, J.D., Law and Business Certificate	2010
Rice University , Houston, TX, B.A. Economics, Managerial Studies	2007

ADMISSIONS & PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

State Bar of Texas	2010
State Bar of New York	2011
United States District Court for the Southern, Western, Northern, and Eastern Districts of Texas	
American Bankruptcy Institute	
National Association of Bankruptcy Trustees	
Houston Bar Association – Bankruptcy Section	
Houston Area Young Bankruptcy Lawyers	
Houston Young Lawyers Association	

HOBBIES & INTERESTS

In his free time, Alex enjoys playing golf and maintains a low single digit handicap. He attends many St. John's School and Rice University alumni events throughout the year. He also enjoys traveling and dining out with his family and spending quality time with his chocolate Labrador retriever.