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Biography

Rama Douglas is a distinguished finance and restructuring attorney with extensive experience in advising both borrowers and lenders on complex financing transactions, debt restructurings, and corporate reorganizations. Rama helps clients navigate sophisticated deal structures and mitigate risk through strategic legal counsel, ensuring transactions align with business objectives and compliance with regulatory requirements.

Rama has a proven track record in managing high-value debt financing arrangements, including term loan facilities, asset-based lending, revolving credit facilities, and real estate financing transactions. His keen attention to detail and strong negotiation skills enable him to structure agreements that safeguard his clients' interests while achieving their financial objectives.

Before joining Shields Legal, Rama practiced at leading international law firms, where he advised major financial institutions on a broad range of financial and corporate matters. His experience encompasses securities regulations, corporate governance, and regulatory compliance for emerging financial technologies, including cryptocurrency. Additionally, Rama has represented creditors in high-profile Chapter 11 bankruptcy proceedings, real estate transactions, and corporate restructurings, helping clients protect their interests in distressed situations.

Education

- J.D., Duke University School of Law
Managing Editor, Duke Forum for Law & Social Change
- M.B.A., Washington University in St. Louis
- B.A., Business Administration, Rhodes College

Admissions

- State Bar of California
- State Bar of New York

Practice Areas

- Finance & Debt Transactions
- Restructuring & Bankruptcy
- Corporate & Securities Law
- Corporate Governance
- Private Equity
- M & A Financing
- Emerging Financial Technologies
- Cryptocurrency
- Real Estate Finance

Representative Work

- Represented corporate borrower in securing \$600MM to refinance existing debt through the combination of term loans, revolving credit facilities, and letters of credit facilities
- Represented creditor in negotiating the settlement of a \$12MM claim
- Represented private equity firm in borrowing over \$300MM in connection with the acquisition of commercial property
- Advised corporate clients on strategic responses to shareholder proposals and SEC requirements
- Represented creditors in high-profile Chapter 11 bankruptcy cases, including those of Toys “R” Us, NPC International, and David’s Bridal
- Developed comprehensive digital asset compliance strategies for major financial institution

Publications

- “Cryptocurrency Developments: Office of Foreign Assets Control’s Recent Enforcement Cases Against Digital Asset Firms” by Douglas, R. et al. 02.24.21 (Gibson Dunn Website) <https://www.gibsondunn.com/cryptocurrency-developments-office-of-foreign-assets-controls-recent-enforcement-cases-against-digital-asset-firms/>
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- “Horizontal Gifting Upheld In Chapter 11 Plan In The Third Circuit” by Douglas, R. et al. 11.12.18 (Mondaq Website) <https://www.mondaq.com/unitedstates/insolvencybankruptcy/753972/horizontal-gifting-upheld-in-chapter-11-plan-in-the-third-circuit>
- “You’ve Got Contract: An Email Establishes Binding Settlement In The Second Circuit” by Douglas, R. et al. 08.31.18 (Mondaq Website) <https://www.mondaq.com/unitedstates/insolvencybankruptcy/731894/youve-got-contract-an-email-establishes-binding-settlement-in-the-second-circuit>
- “Insurance Rehabilitation Proceeding in Curaçao Recognized by New York Bankruptcy Court” by Douglas, R. et al. (Lexology.com) https://www.lexology.com/firms/kramer-levin-naftalis-and-franke-llp/rama_douglas