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Biography

Kyla Mahar is a Partner at Miller Thomson LLP and her practice focuses on corporate restructuring, insolvency, recapitalizations, refinancing, distressed acquisitions and enforcement of creditors' rights. Kyla is recognized by *The Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory* for her practice in Insolvency & Financial Restructuring. Kyla's roles include acting as counsel for the debtors, monitors, receivers, trustees, DIP lenders, bondholders, financial institutions and other creditors. Her experiences spans a wide range of industries including banking and financial services, technology, energy, steel, mining, maritime, automotive, media and publishing.

Kyla is a creative thinker. She has developed a particular expertise in leading companies through reorganizations under the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act* and the *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act* and also in leading creditor driven restructuring proceedings. She is also experienced in assisting companies restructure and recapitalize under the *Canada Business Corporations Act*.

Kyla is on the Board of the ACG Toronto Chapter and IWIRC Ontario Network.

Professional achievements & leadership

- The Best Lawyers in Canada Insolvency and Financial Restructuring Law, 2022-2024
- Chambers Canada, Restructuring/Insolvency, 2022-2024
- Chambers Global ranked lawyer, Restructuring/Insolvency, 2023-2024
- The Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory Insolvency & Financial Restructuring, 2018 2024
- Chair of the Ontario Newtwork of the International Women's Insolvency and Restructuring Confederation (IWIRC)
- Corporate Governance Director and Secretary of the Toronto Chapter of the Association for Corporate Growth (ACG)
- Recipient, J.W. Whiteside Award for outstanding commitment and service to the Faculty of Law, Legal Profession and Community, 1998

RELATED SERVICES

Commercial Debt Recovery Financial Services Restructuring & Insolvency

RELATED INDUSTRIES

Mining

Notable matters

- Representing the court appointed monitor in CCAA Proceedings in the multi-jurisdictional restructuring involving MBAC Inc.
- Representing the debtor in the BIA proposal proceedings of Coupgon Inc.
- Representing the appointing creditor in the creditor initiated CCAA proceedings involving 1721027 Ontario Inc. operating as Becker Co-Generation Plant
- Representing the appointing creditor in the receivership proceedings of Great Lakes Specialty Meats of Canada Inc.
- Representing the appointing creditor in the receivership proceedings of Quality Meat Packers Inc. and Toronto Abbitoirs Limited
- Litigation counsel for the debtors in the CCAA proceedings involving Hush Homes Inc.
- Representing the debtors in the CCAA proceeding involving Ghana Gold Corp.
- Representing the court-appointed Monitor in the CCAA proceeding involving Vanguard Shipping (Great Lakes) Ltd.and Vanship Ltd.
- Representing the debtors in the recognition under the CCAA of foreign main proceedings involving Hartford Computer Hardware, Inc. et al under Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code
- Representing the court-appointed Receiver in a complex mareva and receivership proceedings involving in excess of 20 defendants

Thought leadership

- Co-author, "Focus on Canada", Digitorney's Crisis Navigator, April 8, 2020
- Speaker, "Winning Injunctions", Advocates Society's Program, December 2015
- Speaker "Commercial Priorities for Real Estate and Business Lawyers", Law Society of Upper Canada's Program, February 2015
- Speaker "Hot Topics, Important Cases and Emerging Trends in Insolvency and Bankruptcy Law", the Ontario Bar Association's Institute 2015 Insolvency Program, February 2015

Professional memberships

- Chair, Ontario Network of the International Women's Insolvency and Restructuring Confederation
- Secretary and Director Corporate Governance, Association of Corporate Growth Toronto Chapter
- Member, Insolvency Institute of Canada
- Member, Turnaround Management Association (Toronto Chapter)
- Member, INSOL International
- Member, American Bankruptcy Institute
- Member, Insolvency Section, Ontario Bar Association
- Member, Canadian Bar Association
- Member, Toronto Lawyers Association
- Law Society of Ontario

Bar admissions & education

- Ontario, 2001
- LL.B., University of Windsor Law School, 1999
- B.Sc. (Hons.), McMaster University, 1995

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