

## PRACTICE AREAS

- Bankruptcy & Financial Restructuring
- Corporate
- Mergers & Acquisitions

## EDUCATION

- A.B., University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, 1969; Phi Beta Kappa; Morehead Scholar
- J.D., Stanford University, 1972

## BAR & COURT ADMISSIONS

- North Carolina, 1972

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Ben Hawfield advises Moore & Van Allen corporate clients in acquisitions and financing transactions, particularly those involving a compromise or restructure of debt. He has significant experience in representing corporations, individuals and lenders in workouts and bankruptcy proceedings.

## Representative Matters

### **Bankruptcies**

- *Ameritex Yarn, LLC II* (M.D.N.C.): Representation of Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors, which was successful in obtaining a 100% recovery, plus interest, for unsecured creditors in involuntary chapter 11 bankruptcy.
- *Birmingham Steel Corporation* (Del.): Representation of acquirer of \$600 million in assets, which were purchased through a confirmed bankruptcy plan.
- *J. A. Jones, Inc.* (W.D.N.C.): Local debtors' counsel for 50 debtor entities in successful liquidation of construction businesses.
- *Meadowcraft, Inc.* (N.D. Ala.): Representation of senior lenders in successful chapter 11 bankruptcy where senior debt was consensually restructured.
- *NEGT Energy Trading-Power, L.P.* (Md.): Representation of one of the largest creditors/chair of the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors in connection with pursuit of claim arising under an offtake tolling agreement.
- *Nobex Corporation* (Del.): Debtor's special counsel for sale of U.S. and foreign patents and patent applications.

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- *Qimonda Richmond, LLC* (Del.): Representation of indenture trustee for loan participants that extended over \$150 million in leveraged lease equipment financing in connection with lease to semiconductor manufacturer.
- *Southaven Power, LLC* (W.D.N.C.): Local counsel for debtor in the successful chapter 11 bankruptcy of owner of an 800-megawatt merchant power plant.
- *U.S. Airways Group, Inc. I & II* (E.D. Va.): Representation of hub airport with claims arising from leases, landing fees and bond financing.

**Workouts**

- Counsel to individual investor in orderly liquidation of \$55 million of multi-state secured real estate investments.
- Counsel to individual investor with \$30 million investment in a Florida aqua-culture business undergoing an orderly wind-down process.

**OF NOTE**

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- Member, Advisory Board, Mecklenburg County Council of the Boy Scouts of America
- Member, Board of Trustees and Executive Committee, Queens University of Charlotte
- Member, Executive Committee and Advisory Board, America's Second Harvest Food Bank of Metrolina, Inc.
- Permanent Member, Fourth Circuit Judicial Conference
- Former Chairman, MVA Management Committee (1992 - 2002)
- Former Chairman, Bankruptcy Section, North Carolina Bar Association (1978 - 1979)
- Former member, Board of Directors and Board of Advisors, Charlotte Chamber of Commerce
- Former member, Board of Governors, North Carolina Bar Association (2003 - 2006)
- Former member, Board of Directors, Western North Carolina Conference Board of Pensions, Inc.

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**W. B. (BEN) HAWFIELD, JR.**

- Former officer, Navy Judge Advocate General's Corps
- Included in *Business North Carolina's* Legal Elite list, 2006 - 2008 in the practice area of Bankruptcy.
- Selected for inclusion to the *North Carolina Super Lawyers* list in 2006 - 2012 in the practice areas of Business/Corporate.
- Named as Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law Lawyer of the Year in Charlotte by *Best Lawyers in America*, 2012.
- Included in *Best Lawyers in America* for Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/ Insolvency and Reorganization Law, 1987 - 2012.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

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- American Bankruptcy Institute
- North Carolina Bar Association