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Caroline Gorman leads the business department, encompassing the firm's transactional, corporate governance, finance, real estate and intellectual property capabilities across nine offices. An active leader within the firm, Caroline also serves on the board of directors.

As chair of the business department, Caroline leverages her business acumen to spearhead initiatives and set the strategic direction for the team, including strategy, growth and focus.

In her day-to-day practice, Caroline focuses her practice on all aspects of secured and unsecured financing, including asset-based financing, second-lien, mezzanine and other junior credit financing, real estate acquisition, development and construction financing, health care financing, general secured financing and loan workouts. Caroline represents banks, commercial finance companies, private credit funds and various other lenders in all aspects of commercial lending. She also regularly represents clients as bond counsel and underwriter's counsel related to tax-exempt financing for 501(c)(3) entities, governmental units and other entities.

Caroline's practice often involves structuring and completing project financings for the construction of major infrastructure improvements for nonprofit institutions. Caroline also represents clients with respect to restructuring projects involving multinational enterprises and post-acquisition integration.

Caroline has been repeatedly recognized for her accomplishments, particularly in the secured finance industry.

RESULTS

Caroline has represented:

- governmental issuers and authorities, letter of credit providers, as well as underwriters and borrowers in dozens of tax-exempt financings
- the developer and owner of a \$100 million+ mixed-use project at 38th and Chestnut Streets in Philadelphia, involving several levels of equity investment, debt financing and New Markets Tax Credit financing

FOCUS

Financial Services
Real Estate Financing
Finance & Restructuring
Public Finance
Corporate & Securities
Mergers & Acquisitions
Health Law
Fintech

BAR ADMISSIONS

Pennsylvania
New Jersey

EDUCATION

J.D., Villanova University School of Law
B.A., College of the Holy Cross

MEMBERSHIPS

National Association of Bond Lawyers
Pennsylvania Association of Bond Lawyers
Board of Directors, Pan American Academy Charter School
Philadelphia Chapter Vice President, SFNet
Stradley Ronon Hiring Committee



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- a multinational corporation in the successful post-acquisition integration and reorganization of global treasury operations, including project management of the efforts of three global law firms across two dozen countries and operating companies
- a state-chartered bank in the concurrent transactions of its reorganization into a bank holding company structure, acquisition by merger of another bank holding company, and initial registration of its securities on Form S-1, to be issued in connection with both the reorganization and merger
- a REIT in its sale of 16 non-core portfolio hotels to Blackstone Real Estate Advisors, LP, a subsidiary of Blackstone Group LP, for approximately \$217 million
- a manufacturer of high performance fibers and fiber coatings in connection with its \$38 million sale to an affiliate of a private equity company
- a publicly held company (Nasdaq) in the acquisition of another publicly held company using registered common stock and cash as the acquisition currency

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Presenter, "Liability Management in Financing Transactions: Navigating Drafting Pitfalls & Securing Strong Agreements," Association of Corporate Counsel of Greater Philadelphia In-House Counsel Conference
- Presenter, "Secure Your Deals the Right Way," Greater Philadelphia Association of Corporate Counsel
- Panelist, "Communication in the New Normal: Communicating Effectively in a Multi-Generational/Multi-Modal Workforce," Association of Corporate Counsel's Women Lawyers Summit

RECOGNITIONS

- Secured Finance Network, 40 Under 40
- *The M&A Advisor*, Emerging Leader
- *The Secured Lender*, Women in Secured Finance
- *ABF Journal*, Top Women in Asset-Based Lending

IN THE COMMUNITY

Caroline has impacted a number of organizations in the Greater Philadelphia region. Specifically, Caroline currently serves on the Board of Directors of Pan American Academy Charter School, a local bilingual charter school in North Philadelphia. Caroline also works with the Philadelphia Chapter of Back on My Feet, organizing events within Stradley Ronon to raise funds to serve the Back On My Feet community. In addition to her charitable activities, Caroline is a member of the National Association of Bond Lawyers, Pennsylvania Association of Bond Lawyers and works with the Mount Saint Joseph Academy alumni board, previously serving on the board for six years.

