

PRESS RELEASE

Prominent Bankruptcy Attorney Jane H. Downey Joins Baker Donelson in Columbia

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The law firm of Baker Donelson has expanded its Bankruptcy and Commercial Restructuring Practice with the addition of Jane H. Downey as of counsel in Columbia, South Carolina. Certified by the South Carolina Supreme Court as a specialist in bankruptcy and debtor/creditor law and by the American Board of Certification as a specialist in business bankruptcy, Ms. Downey brings more than 30 years of experience in representing individual and business debtors and creditors in commercial and consumer bankruptcy matters.

"The addition of Jane further rounds out the team and gives us the opportunity to represent an increasingly wider spectrum of clients across a broad range of needs," said Eric Pruitt, chair of the Firm's Corporate Restructuring and Bankruptcy Group. "Jane highlights our best-in-class approach of strategically bringing in high-caliber attorneys to meet the changing needs of clients on a national scale."

Ms. Downey has represented clients both in and outside formal proceedings. She has extensive experience in corporate restructurings, representing debtors, secured lenders, unsecured creditors, and other parties in connection with bankruptcies, receiverships, out-of-court workouts, and other bankruptcy-related litigation. She has led corporate clients, landlords, doctors, car dealerships, farmers, Realtors, and developers, among others, through financial restructurings and reorganizations under Chapters 7, 9, 11, 12, and 13 of the United States Bankruptcy Code.

Ms. Downey is also certified by the South Carolina Supreme Court as a mediator and arbitrator, and is on the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of South Carolina's list of mediators.

She is a frequent speaker and author on bankruptcy topics. In 2022, Ms. Downey was voted as the "Best Bankruptcy Lawyer" in Lexington County, South Carolina, by the readers of the *Lexington County Chronicle*. She was selected to Lawdragon's 500 "Leading U.S. Bankruptcy and Restructuring Lawyers" list in 2020 and 2022, and has been included in South Carolina Super Lawyers in bankruptcy since 2008.