



# Kelley Drye & Warren LLP Announces New Partners

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## Law Firm Elects Six New Partners, Promotes Six to Special Counsel

Kelley Drye & Warren LLP has elected seven new partners and promoted six to special counsel, effective July 1, 2015.

Kelley Drye's firm managing partner said, "Congratulations to all our new partners and special counsel. We are thrilled to have such talented attorneys strengthen our partnership as Kelley Drye grows from within. This group has demonstrated innovative ideas, excellent client service, and skills that make us confident that they will lead the firm, and our clients, into the future."

The new partners, and their practice groups, are:

### **Jason R. Adams**, Bankruptcy and Restructuring

Jason focuses on creditors' rights, debt restructuring, distressed M&A, and bankruptcy litigation, and includes substantial experience in the financial services, retail, technology and energy industries. In 2015, Jason was named a Rising Star by *Law360* in the area of bankruptcy law, one of the few attorneys in his field to earn this distinction. He frequently represents unsecured creditors' committees, individual creditors, indenture trustees, and liquidating trusts in all aspects of the bankruptcy process, including the negotiation of debtor-in-possession financing and distressed asset sales. Jason also represents individual creditors in bankruptcy in connection with the enforcement, termination or restructuring of client supply agreements, leases, and other contractual relationships with debtor entities. He is a member of the New York State Bar.

### **Deron L. Green**, Real Estate

Deron focuses his practice in the areas of commercial real estate finance and commercial mortgage securitization. Deron has extensive experience representing investment banks, commercial banks, insurance companies, institutional lenders, private equity investors, and loan servicers in a variety of real estate finance transactions, including permanent and bridge loan origination; mezzanine and other subordinate debt financings; construction loans; loan participations, syndications and other co-lender arrangements; and workouts and restructurings. He also represents lenders and investors in a variety of multifamily housing transactions (market rate and tax credit transactions), including the acquisition and securitization of affordable multifamily mortgage loans. Deron also represents lenders participating in the Department of Defense's housing privatization program. He is a member of the New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania State Bars.

### **Dustin J. Painter**, Government Relations and Public Policy

Dustin advances his clients' public policy priorities through a comprehensive mix of public policy advocacy and strategic and compliance counseling. Dustin is a seasoned policy advocate, representing his clients' interests before the U.S. Congress and Federal agencies. He provides policy analysis to clients across a wide range of industries and offers strategic advice on navigating Congress and the Executive Branch. Dustin specializes in crafting legislative and regulatory

strategies, which typically include substantive legal analyses relevant to policymaking objectives as well as the drafting of legislation, committee report language and witness statements. He provides political law compliance advice to corporations, political committees, and trade associations, which includes compliance with the Federal Election Campaign Act and implementing regulations and the patchwork of state statutes and regulations governing policy advocacy and political activities at the state and local level. He is a member of the District of Columbia Bar.

**Damon W. Suden**, Litigation

Damon has a diverse practice with extensive trial experience over the last 12 years in both state and federal courts. He has also handled domestic and international arbitrations. Damon is adept at litigating complex commercial disputes, including class actions, corporate fraud and other tort claims, unfair competition, theft of trade secrets, bankruptcy litigation, false advertising litigation, and employment related matters. He has handled matters for companies in a variety of industries including banking and finance, design and fashion, insurance, healthcare, nonprofit, and telecommunications. Damon has successfully defended employers in numerous cases involving allegations of employment discrimination and whistleblower retaliation. Damon is an active member of the National LGBT Bar Association and is the head of Kelley Drye LGBT Network's New York chapter. He is a member of the New York State Bar.

In addition to the seven new partners, [Dana P. Kane](#), [Clifford Katz](#), [Jennifer L. Norkus](#), [Aaron D. Rosenfeld](#), [Denise Smith](#) and [Kristi L. Wolff](#) were promoted to special counsel.

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