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Andres Mena is a partner in the Corporate department of Paul Hastings and is based in the firm's New York office. Mr. Mena concentrates his practice in debt and leveraged finance, representing public and private borrowers and private equity sponsors. Over the last 18+ years, he has represented corporate clients, private equity funds, and lenders in numerous financing and restructuring matters. These include LBOs and acquisition financings, recapitalizations, out-of-court workouts, and DIP financings with an emphasis in the cross-border and energy space. Mr. Mena is a graduate of the University of Chicago Law School and of the Universidad de Chile.

Recent Representations

I. Selected Sponsor Side Representations:

- Albright Capital in its acquisition of Innovatel, LLC, a Latin America telecom tower business.
- Cerberus in its dividend recap with a margin loan secured by Avon stock.
- CVC Partners in its acquisition of Univar N.V.
- GI Partners.
- HIG Capital.
- Lincolnshire Management in the acquisitions of True Temper, National PenCo., High Performance Industries, among others.
- Madison Dearborn Partners in its acquisition of Liquid Web.
- Metalmark Capital Partners in its acquisitions of Northeast Natural Energy, LLC and Jones Energy.
- Redwood Capital in its acquisition of Premier Trailer.
- Sagard Capital in its acquisition in a 363 sale of Performance Sports Group.
- Sithe Global Power (an affiliate of The Blackstone Group) in the financing of power plants in the Philippines and Uganda.

II. Selected Lender Side Representations:

- Jefferies in numerous acquisition financings (ranging US$350 million and

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Practice Areas

Corporate
Energy
Latin America
Oil and Gas
Restructuring
Private Equity
Finance
LIBOR Transition
Leveraged Finance

Admissions

New York Bar

Education

The University of Chicago Law School, LL.M. 2000

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US$1.5 billion) sponsored by:

- Arcline,
- Bain,
- Golden Gate Capital,
- KKR,
- Sun Capital,
- Thoma Bravo.
- RBC, Macquarie, Barclays and UBS, in acquisition financings (ranging US$80 million and US$250 million) sponsored by:
- AE Partners,
- Apax,
- Greenbriar Equity.
- Lenders to KKR in the pending A$1.25 billion cross-border acquisition of Campbell's Soup International and Arnott's Biscuits.
- Barclays in a US$525 million secured facility to The AES Corporation.

III. Selected Corporate Borrower Side Representations:

- PBF Energy, Inc. and its affiliates, in a variety of secured and structured financings,in excess ofUS$15 billion.
- NRG Energy, Inc. and its affiliates, in a variety of secured financings in excess of US$25 billion.
- NRG Energy, Inc. in its US$5.75 billion acquisition of Texas Genco.
- Chobani, LLC in its US$750 million second lien financing with TPG.
- Mercado Libre Inc. (Latin America's leading e-commerce platform) in an ongoing confidential cross-border financing.
- Copamex S.A. de C.V. (Mexico's leading paper producer) in its US$250 million recapitalization.
- Blink Fitness in its US$125 million secured financing provided by Varagon Capital and other lenders.

IV. Restructurings:

- Texas Competitive Energy Holdings in its $4.475 billion DIP facility as part of its Chapter 11.
- Creditors to NII Nextel Telefonica S.C.A. in a $350 million DIP Facility (Restructuring (U.S.) Deal of 2016).
- Charming Charlie LLC in its Chapter 11 cases.
- Sagard Capital in a $375 million Chapter 11 exit financing for Performance Sports Group.

Accolades and Recognitions

Mr. Mena was recognized by Chambers Global for both Banking & Finance

(Experts Based Abroad) and Capital Markets: Debt & Equity (Foreign Experts) and as a "Leading Lawyer" by the IFLR1000. He was profiled in the September 2006 edition of the Diario Financiero of Santiago de Chile, included in the "Global Positioning" article of July 2008's LatinLawyer Magazine and in the April 2009 edition of "Capital" magazine of Santiago de Chile.

Speaking Engagements and Publications

- Speaker for "Casos Prácticos sobre Restructuraciones Financieras" (Practical Examples on Financial Restructurings), Morales & Besa, Larrain Vial and Greenhill & Co. event, Santiago de Chile (2017)
- Participate in "Overview of the M&A Market in Latin America" IBA Conference, Buenos Aires, Argentina, 2017
- Speaker for "Drafting Debt Agreements," Practicing Law Institute, New York, New York (January 6, 2010)
- Speaker, with Gerald Nowak, for "Drafting Debt Agreements," Practicing Law Institute, New York, New York (January 7, 2009)

Professional and Community Involvement

- Member of Board of Directors, North American-Chilean Chamber of Commerce

Education

- University of Chicago Law School
- Universidad de Chile

News

April 20, 2020

PBF Energy Closes $530 Million Sale of Operating Hydrogen Plants

January 30, 2020

Paul Hastings Advises on Two LatinFinance "Deals of the Year" Awards

January 23, 2020

GI Partners Invests in DR Fortress

December 05, 2019

Mercado Libre Receives Credit Facility from Goldman Sachs

October 23, 2019

Franchise Group Secures Senior Secured Term Loan; Finalizes Acquisition of

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Sears Hometown's Outlet Business

August 26, 2019

Major Financial Institutions to Provide Financing for KKR's Acquisition of Arnott's Biscuits

August 01, 2018

PBF Energy Announces Closing of $500 Million Credit Facility

May 07, 2018

PBF Energy Announces Closing of $3.4 Billion Credit Facility

March 21, 2018

Finance Push Continues at Paul Hastings with Market-Leading Leveraged Finance Partner Addition in New York

Insights

March 26, 2020

PH COVID-19 Client Alert Series: Debt Buy-Backs in Covid-19 times