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MEMBER

Keith N. Costa is a Member of the Restructuring & Bankruptcy Department. Besides representing both debtors and creditors, Mr. Costa has acted in many fiduciary roles including exemplary service as Chapter 11 Trustee, Chapter 11 Examiner, Counsel to Official Committees of Unsecured Creditors, and Counsel to a Board of Directors. Listed every year among the top bankruptcy lawyers in Manhattan by *Super Lawyers*, Keith is also a court-certified Mediator for the U.S. Bankruptcy Courts in New York and Delaware.

Keith's strong litigation history stems from his prior experience as the Assistant U.S. Trustee for the Southern District of New York (proudly serving under then United States Trustee Arthur J. Gonzalez). Mr. Costa provides valuable counsel to his corporate, banking, and other financial clients with respect to their creditors' rights based upon his over 30 years of legal experience. Keith has handled many bankruptcy cases confronting a wide range of legal issues including:

- Ponzi Scheme Liquidation Work and Receiverships (e.g. the Madoff bankruptcy case and both the Wextrust and Platinum Partners SEC receivership cases);
- Mediator & Arbitrator in both the Madoff and Lehman Brothers bankruptcy cases;
- Preference defense of complex \$9 Million "clawback" lawsuit in RadioShack Corp. case;
- Counsel to numerous Official & Ad Hoc Unsecured Creditors' Committees;
- Chapter 11 Trustee for Action Redi-Mix Corp. (successful \$363 sale) & Dr. Howard Balensweig (successfully provided 100% distribution to all allowed unsecured creditors);
- Chapter 11 Examiner for Finne Brothers Refuse Systems, Inc.;
- Counsel to Board of Directors of Global Capacity Group, Inc. (CGSY.OB);
- Debtor's Counsel to Waterford Wedgwood USA, Tavern On The Green Restaurant, and New York Crane & Equipment Corp. (successfully confirmed a Plan of Reorganization for 100% distribution, plus interest, to all allowed creditors).

Mr. Costa is an active member of the American Bankruptcy Institute (since 2001), the New York Institute of Credit, and a recent graduate of the FBI Citizens Academy (2018).

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