# Business Law Firm

# **PRE-COURT RESTRUCTURING**

#### SUPPORT FOR BANKS IN RENEGOTIATING AND AMENDING FINANCING CONTRACTS

#### Main dilemmas faced by banks

- What will other creditors do?
- How accurate must the data be for the bank to make the best decisions?
- How reliable is the debtor's action plan?
- Is it worth abstaining from enforcement?

- GOAL: company long-term viability
- FORM: decision-making based on adequatly compiled information
- STANDSTILL: creditors abstaining from enforcement
- RESTRUCTURING SUCCESS: means choosing one leader to coordinate creditors
- Subordination of additional funding to that already provided

#### PRE-COMPOSITION RESTRUCTURING



#### **POSSIBLE SCENARIO**















ANALYSIS, CONSULTATION. DECISION

MORATORIUM

AUDIT

**STANDSTILL** 

RESTRUCTURING PLAN

RESTRUCTURING AGREEMENT



- Risk assessment related to a detected breach of covenants:
  - assessment of problem scale and duration
  - risk of recurrence of negative phenomena
- Choice of a method to secure creditors' interests
- Consultation with the debtor and stakeholders
- Choice of a model of good practice

#### Preliminary agreement, pre-standstill

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- Setting of limits at the EoD level
- Restoration of limits
- Repayment of relevant products
- No withdrawal of a request for payment
- Undertaking of intercreditor actions
- No waiver of rights by creditors
- Commitment to start negotiations to conclude standstill agreement
- Collateral providers' statements



### MORATORIUM



# Assessment of the state of affairs:

Problem identification

· Description of the debtor's

risk taken

in the debtor's sector of activity

· Analysis of reasons for the debtor's

- Assessment of the debtor's market and product position
- Financial data analysis
- Cost analysis
- Analysis of legal conditions for operational changes

#### Role and main provisions:

- Preliminary statements, limit confirmation
- Debt acknowledgement
- Debt repayment

- Debtor's statements and to-date liabilities, breaches
- Creditors' obligations
- Safeguards
- Assignments and transfers
- Contract dissolution and termination



#### RESTRUCTURING PLAN

economic situationProposed operational strategy for the debtor's undertaking/level and type of

undertaking/future supply and demand

- Description and review of restructuring strategies and related costs, including the implementation schedule
- Production capacity of the debtor's undertaking
- Description of financing methods and sources
- Projected profits and losses

- Restructuring agreement provisions:
- Granting of a new credit
- Creditor structure and repayment suspension
- Parties' obligations
- New breaches
- Contract dissolution and termination
- Credit contract substitutability

Assignments and transfers

#### **Contract supervision**

- Checkpoints
- Regular workshops and audits
- Periodic reports
- Project Management
- Active risk management



RESTRUCTURING AGREEMENT

## COMMUNICATION

- Creditor grouping and separate communication strategies
- Personal communication:
  - ✓ Active listening the listener interprets what has been said
  - Effective reception the listener observes visual signals and listens to voice messages
  - ✓ Opinion the speaker receives feedback from the listener
  - ✓ **Non-verbal** about 50% of communication (e.g. body and face language)
  - ✓ Para-lingual voice characteristics