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Jaime Leggett practices in the areas of bankruptcy and complex commercial litigation. His experience includes investigating and prosecuting director and officer liability claims; representing trustees, creditors, equity holders, and debtors in bankruptcy proceedings along with assignees, creditors, and assignors in assignment for the benefit of creditors proceedings; federal and state court commercial litigation; and trials in federal, bankruptcy, and state courts nationwide.

Prior to joining the firm, Jaime worked for a firm in New York City, handling complex commercial and bankruptcy litigation. Previously to that firm, Jaime served as a law clerk to U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Allan Gropper of the Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York and U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Arthur Weissbrodt of the Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of California.

Representative Experience

- Representing movie theater chain in its successful Chapter 11 reorganization.
- Representing successful buyer at contested 363 sale of oil refinery for \$62 million.
- Representing medical technology company in its successful SBRA reorganization.
- Representing liquidating trustee in negotiation and sale of \$14+ million insurance portfolio.
- Representing Chapter 7 trustee in investigation and prosecution of claims related to \$50+ million real estate development fraud, resulting in multimillion dollar recoveries to date.
- Representing assignee of cruise line business in investigation of causes of

- action against third parties.
- Representing individual Chapter 11 debtor with \$1.5+ in tax debts, obtaining confirmation of plan discharging overwhelming majority of tax claims.
- Representing Chapter 7 trustee in challenge to claimed homestead exemption, obtaining decision on appeal affirming court's ruling in trustee's favor.
- Representing Unsecured Creditors' Committee in airline case, including investigating potential causes of action.
- Representing assignee of travel agency business in investigation of potential causes of action against third parties.
- Representing a hedge fund against assertions by another fund for a multimillion dollar carried interest claim, obtained monetary judgment in client's favor after trial, and protected client's rights against fund in later bankruptcy proceeding.
- Representing a landlord in a bankruptcy case and obtained settlement payout.
- Representing a food trademark licensor in contract action against defaulting licensee and obtained decision after trial awarding monetary damages against licensee and denying licensee's multi-million dollar counterclaims.
- Representing a Chapter 7 trustee in pursuing claims against Debtor's former professionals and obtained substantial settlement.
- Established damages in contract action upon default of counterparty by way of evidentiary hearing and obtained judgment in vendor client's favor.
- Representing indigent rent-controlled tenant with AIDS in eviction proceeding and obtained settlement.

Reported Decisions:

- Bast Amron LLP v. Unites States Trustee Region 21, 71 F.4th 1341, U.S. Court of Appeals for Eleventh Circuit (June 23, 2023)
- Rodriguez v. Mukamal, Case No. 20-20583, U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Florida (October 1, 2020) (2020 WL 5834372)
- LaMonica v. Tilton, Adv. Proc. No. 18-1021, U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York (July 6, 2020) (2020 WL 8021060)

Awards and Recognitions

- Honoree, <u>Miami Dade Bar's Young Lawyers Section</u> 40 Under 40 awards,
 February 2025
- Best Lawyers In America Ones to Watch- Litigation Bankruptcy, 2022-2025
- Super Lawyers, Florida Rising Stars 2020-2025
- Super Lawyers, New York Metro Rising Stars 2016-2019

Publications

- Author, SUBCHAPTER V: A GAME-CHANGER FOR SMALL BUSINESS BANKRUPTCY, Miami Dade Bar, 2024. Online.
- Co-author, <u>Assignments for the Benefit of Creditors: Florida, Practical Law</u>
 <u>Bankruptcy & Restructuring, PRACTICAL LAW</u>, Westlaw/Thomson Reuters,
 2024
- Assignments for the Benefit of Creditors: Florida, Practical Law Bankruptcy
 & Restructuring

Speaking Engagements

- Panelist, <u>Bankruptcy Bar Association of the Southern District of Florida</u> Celebrate LGBTQ+ Pride Month. Discussion about unique career paths, thoughts on diversity, equity, and inclusion in bankruptcy and restructuring, and a discussion about what we can do to increase the number of #LGBTQ+ identifying attorneys in bankruptcy practice, on the bench, and in financial restructuring.
- Moderator, Talent Wars. Recruiting and retention strategies for a competitive market, 5th Annual Business Advantage Forum.
- Presenter, Chapter 11: Limiting Debtor's Business Judgment Under 363 and for Transactions Outside the Ordinary Course, Strafford

Professional & Community Activities

- Member, Miami Dade Bar Association
- Director-At-Large of the <u>Bankruptcy Bar Association of the Southern District</u> of Florida, 2023-2025
- Chair of the Bankruptcy Bar Association of the Southern District of Florida Liaison Committee With Other Bar Associations
- Co-Chair of the Florida Bar Business Law Section UCC Article 12 Secured Digital Assets Task Force
- Member of the BBA Social Committee
- Founder, Cardozo Florida Alumni Regional Group
- Member, Bankruptcy Bar Association of the Southern District of Florida
- Pro Bono Volunteer, Dade Legal Aid, Put Something Back
- Member, SAVE Endorsement Panel
- Member, University of Pennsylvania PennGALA Steering Committee

In The News

- BAST AMRON: WHY CHAPTER 11 BANKRUPTCY ISN'T SO SPOOKY THIS HALLOWEEN
- BAST AMRON ATTORNEYS INCLUDED IN 2026 BEST LAWYERS IN AMERICA® "BEST LAWYERS"
- BAST AMRON SELECTED AS CO-COUNSEL TO CHAPTER 11 DEBTORS IN CINEMEX HOLDINGS USA, INC. BANKRUPTCY CASE
- JAIME LEGGETT WAS QUOTED IN A LAW 360 ARTICLE, "CINEMEX THEATER CO. GETS \$2.6M FOR OPERATIONS IN CH. 11"
- BAST AMRON ATTORNEYS RECOGNIZED IN 2025 EDITION OF FLORIDA SUPER LAWYERS
- JAIME LEGGETT TO PRESENT ON "SECTION 363 BANKRUPTCY SALES:
 AUCTION V. PRIVATE SALE, BREAK-UP FEES, CARVE-OUTS, SUCCESSOR
 LIABILITY"

- BAST AMRON'S JAIME LEGGETT TO SPEAK ON RECEIVERSHIPS AND ASSIGNMENTS FOR THE BENEFIT OF CREDITORS
- JAIME LEGGETT PRESENTS ON "BANKRUPTCY LIMITS ON LOCKUP PROVISIONS: ENFORCING SECTION 1125, CREATING MEANINGFUL OUTS, ENSURING ADEQUATE INFORMATION"
- JAIME LEGGETT PRESENTS ON "EMERGING LEGAL TRENDS INVOLVING CRYPTOCURRENCY IN BANKRUPTCY."
- BAST AMRON ATTORNEYS PRESENT ON THREE-PART WEBINAR
 "NAVIGATING FRAUDULENT TRANSFER CLAIMS: STRATEGIES FOR CREDITORS AND DEBTORS"