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Lorraine McGowen, Partner
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Lorraine McGowen is a partner at Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe, a leading global law firm focused on serving the financial, energy & infrastructure and tech sectors. A nationally recognized leading restructuring lawyer (including bankruptcy) by Legal 500 and IFLR 1000, she represents clients with entrepreneurial enthusiasm and a true passion for innovation seeking to maximize recoveries or reduce liabilities. She advises clients on the bankruptcy and commercial law implications of transactions, including mergers and acquisitions, project and structured financings, leveraged leases, fintech, structured finance, securitizations and other transactions.

She is a member of Orrick's Management Committee and is Partner in Charge of its global Diversity, Equity & Inclusion (DEI) Initiative. She also co-leads Orrick's Automotive Technology & Mobility Group. She previously served two terms on the firm's 11-member Board of Directors and previously chaired Orrick's Restructuring Group.

Recent engagements include representing the bondholder committee on the restructuring of Suriname's \$675 million Sovereign Bond Restructuring, representing the steering members of the bondholder committee on the tender offer and consent solicitation of Belize's USD Bonds; representing financial institutions in connection with Puerto Rico's \$72 billion restructuring; representing several alternative energy PPA counterparties in the PG&E bankruptcy case; and representing Toyota (one of the largest creditors with more than \$7 billion in claims) in the highly complex global restructuring of Takata Corporation, one of the largest manufacturers and distributors of automotive safety systems, including airbags.

As a leading DEI advocate, McGowen creates programs for the legal profession and the community. Since 2005, she has been a leader of Orrick's DEI initiatives, and was one of the architects of Orrick's Women's Initiative which has been setting the example in gender equality since 2008.

Among her community involvement, she is a Vice President and Board Member of the New York City Bar Association, serves on the Boards of Directors for the Institute for Inclusion in the Legal Profession and the New York Lawyers for the Public Interest and on the Advisory Committees for Legal Outreach and the Vance Center for International Justice of the NYCBA.

She has been recognized as an MCCA Rainmaker in 2019 and as one of the Most Influential Black Lawyers by Savoy Magazine for 2022, 2018, and 2015 and Most Influential Women in Corporate America, 2019. She also has received two awards from the National Bar Association: Lawyer of the Year 2019, Minority Partners in Majority Firms Division, and by the Woman Lawyers Division, 2019 Outstanding Woman Lawyer Minority Partner in a Majority Firm. She received Legal Outreach's Pipeline to Diversity 2017 Champion Award and the New York City Bar Association

Diversity and Inclusion 2012 Champion Award. She was selected by Direct Women to be a 2016 Board Institute member. She is a frequent speaker and author on bankruptcy and insolvency and diversity and inclusion.

McGowen received her B.S.F.S. from Georgetown University School of Foreign Service, and her J.D. from Columbia University School of Law.