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KORTNEY OTTEN'S PRACTICE FOCUSES ON COMMERCIAL BANKRUPTCY and business law. This includes contracts, transactions, litigation, and settlement resolution. She is also a skilled mediator and settlement advocate.

Ms. Otten has vast business experience spanning over 20 years, having been both a long-time business owner and involved in franchised restaurants. She was previously an owner of companies involved in real estate interests and the manufacturing of nutraceuticals, and an owner of multiple franchised restaurants. Her experience gives Ms. Otten valuable operations knowledge and insight and understanding of businesses, restaurants, and corporate issues, including vendor, creditor, and employee relations.

She completed a highly sought-after federal clerkship and served as Chief Judge Daniel P. Collins' judicial law clerk at the U.S. Bankruptcy Court, District of Arizona, in Phoenix.

Ms. Otten earned her J.D. from the Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law at Arizona State University, where she was a Willard H. Pedrick Scholar and graduated in the top tier of her class. She also earned a CALI Award, awarded to the top student in class, for Contracts, Trusts and Estates, Criminal Procedure, Sports Law.

While in law school, she served a judicial externship for Hon. Eddward P. Ballinger, Jr., at the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Arizona. She also attained her Mediation Certificate and completed ASU's Lodestar Mediation Clinic program, where she was voted best mediator. She has mediation experience in Justice Court, Bankruptcy Court, the EEOC (Equal Employment Opportunity Commission), and private mediations.

She earned her B.A. in International Affairs from the University of Colorado at Denver, with an emphasis on Political Science, French, and Economics. She was a Dean's List Scholar and completed a study abroad in northern France.

Ms. Otten is a member of the State Bar of Arizona's sections on Bankruptcy, Employment and Labor Law, and Business Law. She has also participated in the Community Legal Services' Volunteer Lawyers Program and represented low-income litigants pro bono. She enjoys baking, gourmet cooking, hiking, mountain biking, traveling, and spending time with her two horses.

PRACTICE AREAS

- Bankruptcy
- Commercial Litigation
- Business Law
- Franchise Law
- Settlement Advocacy
- Mediation

CLERKSHIPS

- Judicial Law Clerk, Hon. Daniel P. Collins, U.S. Bankruptcy Court, District of Arizona
- Judicial Extern, Hon. Eddward P. Ballinger, Jr., U.S. Bankruptcy Court, District of Arizona

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

State Bar of Arizona: Bankruptcy Section, Employment and Labor Law Section, Business Law Section

Community Legal Services: Volunteer Lawyers Program

C.A.R.E. (Credit Abuse Resistance Education) Volunteer

BAR AND COURT ADMISSIONS

Arizona, 2015

Colorado, 2016

U.S. District Court, District of Arizona, 2016

EDUCATION

J.D., Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law, Arizona State University, 2014: Willard H. Pedrick Scholar; Best Mediator, Spring Class 2014; CALI Award, Contracts, Trusts and Estates, Criminal Procedure, Sports Law

B.A., International Affairs, University of Colorado at Denver, 2003: Dean's List Scholar