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OVERVIEW

Melissa represents lenders, primary servicers, master servicers. special servicers, investors, and other market participants in complex finance transactions and loan servicing-related matters. She is particularly experienced representing servicers and special servicers in commercial mortgage-backed and CRE CLO securitizations, including negotiating securitized and warehouse servicing agreements, performing loan consents and the purchase and sale of servicing rights. Additionally, Melissa represents lenders and special servicers in connection with restructuring and enforcement matters, including loan workouts, intercreditor issues, foreclosures, note sales, receiverships and the management and sale of REO property.

Melissa is also experienced in navigating regulatory, disclosure and compliance matters that impact servicers and special servicers in the CMBS industry.

TOP AREAS OF FOCUS

- Bankruptcy + Restructuring
- Commercial Mortgage-Backed Securities Special Servicing
- Finance + Banking
- Securitization + Structured Finance

EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATIONS

EDUCATION

- Notre Dame Law School, J.D.
- University of Michigan, B.A.

BAR ADMISSIONS

- North Carolina
- Illinois

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