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Heather Lennox helps boards of directors and management teams navigate crises and distress to develop successful solutions for the enterprise and its stakeholders. She has led some of the country's largest corporate and municipal restructurings (including workouts and reorganizations), whether driven by operational, financial, litigation, mass tort, or regulatory challenges. Her clients hail from every industry, both domestically and internationally.

Heather provides strategic, business-oriented advice to entities facing financial distress and has in-depth experience in convening and directing global legal, business, financial, and media/communications teams in collaborative efforts to achieve clients' goals. She has been named a "Dealmaker of the Year" by *The American Lawyer* and recognized as one of the nation's leading lawyers by legal directories; she also has earned top rankings for many years running in *Chambers*, *Best Lawyers in America*, *IFLR1000*, and *Lawdragon 500 Leading Global Restructuring & Insolvency Lawyers*. In 2020, Heather was named to *Cleveland Magazine*'s "Cleveland 500" list.

Representative clients include Diebold Nixdorf, The City of Detroit, Nine Point Energy, Peabody Energy, Chrysler LLC, FTD Companies (recognized as "Restructuring Deal of the Year" by *The Deal* in 2020), Westmoreland Resources, General Motors, Hostess Brands, LTV Steel, Dana Corporation, Lehman Brothers (derivatives counsel), Copperweld Steel, Oglebay Norton, FirstEnergy Corporation in the FES case, Boeing in the GDC Technics case, Metaldyne Corporation, St Mary's of the Woods (a CCRC), Fruehauf Trailer, and many companies that achieved out-of-court solutions.

Heather is a frequent speaker, publisher, and guest lecturer. She is a Conferee of the National Bankruptcy Conference, a Fellow in the American College of Bankruptcy, and a member of other crisis- and restructuring-related organizations. She actively serves on several community and educational boards.

## **HONORS & DISTINCTIONS**

Thomson Reuters Stand-out Lawyer (2022)

Top 25 Women Cleveland Super Lawyers (2023)

The American Lawyer. Midwest Trailblazer (2021) and "Dealmaker of the Year" (2015)

New York

IFLR1000: "Notable Practitioner" (2019)

Who's Who Legal: Restructuring & Insolvency (2018)

Crain's Cleveland Business, "Woman of Note" (2015)

The Legal 500 US (multiple years, including "Leading Individual" and "Next Generation Partner")

New York Metro Super Lawyers (2013-)

Ohio Super Lawyers (2005-)

Chambers USA, "Star Individual" (2005-)

Chambers Global, "Leader in Their Field" (2012-)

Member, American College of Bankruptcy (2009-)

Best Lawyers in America (2006-)

## **EDUCATION**

Georgetown University (J.D. cum laude 1992; Law Journal); John Carroll University (B.A. summa cum laude 1989)

## **BAR ADMISSIONS**

New York; Ohio; U.S. District Courts for the Northern and Southern Districts of Ohio, Southern and Eastern Districts of New York, and Eastern District of Michigan; U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit; and pro hac vice in several other venues

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