



LESLIE GLADSTONE

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Leslie Gladstone is a member of the Southern District of California Panel of Bankruptcy Trustees and also serves as a Chapter 11 Trustee, Liquidating Trustee, Examiner, Receiver, Disbursing Agent, Special Master, Expert Witness, Assignee for Benefit of Creditors and Trustee Counsel. Ms. Gladstone is a member of the Mediation Panel for the United States Bankruptcy Court, Southern District of California and was named Mediator of the Year in 2016.

She is the immediate past President of the National Association of Bankruptcy Trustees, is a past board member with the San Diego Bankruptcy Forum, the San Diego Receivers Forum and the Women's Insolvency Network and is a member of the National Association of Federal Equity Receivers, the California Bankruptcy Forum, the International Women's Insolvency and Restructuring Confederation, Turnaround Management Association, Association of Insolvency and Restructuring Advisors, INSOL, and the San Diego County Bar Association.

In addition to her practice as court appointed trustee, disbursing agent, assignee and receiver, Ms. Gladstone maintains a law practice with Christin Batt and Andrew Levin in the representation of trustees fiduciaries and creditors, and more generally, in the practice of financial and insolvency law.

Ms. Gladstone has been a chapter 11 and chapter 7 trustee for real estate assets, personal property assets, and for service, manufacturing, retail and professional businesses. She has administered a total of over 25,000 bankruptcy cases.

Ms. Gladstone has

- Conducted several high value asset sales, including real property, businesses and intangible assets
- operated a wide range of businesses in chapter 11 and chapter 7 and
- assisted in the creation and implementation of plans of reorganization to emerge companies from chapter 11 as viable entities.

Ms. Gladstone regularly works with the Department of Justice and other federal government agencies concerning referrals for criminal prosecution for bankruptcy fraud and Ponzi schemes and works on international asset recovery and estate administration.

SAMPLE OF CASES:

Garden Fresh Restaurants LLC – handled liquidation of 110 restaurant locations, sold IP assets, lease interests, handled D&O litigation, crime policy litigation and extensive claims analysis.

Douglas Jennings – extensive investigation and recovery of local and foreign assets in Grand Cayman and U.S. and cooperation with FBI and U.S. Attorneys Office in criminal prosecution.

Christopher Dougherty – extensive investigation and recovery of equipment and royalty assets in Ponzi scheme; cooperation with insurance company and SEC in criminal prosecution.

Membership Services – investigation as to legality of business in Federal Trade Commission matter.

Pure Fitness – operation of 30,000 square foot health club and negotiation of sale to new owner.

Pacers Gentleman's Club – operation of gentleman's club in San Diego and negotiation of sale to new owner.

Terry Brunning – extensive investigation and recovery of foreign and local assets in Isle of Man, Mexico, and U.S.; cooperation with FBI and U.S. Attorneys Office in criminal prosecution.

Sean Nevelt – extensive tracing, investigation and recovery of shareholder interest in pump and dump scheme; cooperation with SEC and U.S. Attorneys office in criminal referral.

CURRENT ACTIVITIES/EMPLOYMENT:

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| 1998-Present | Member of Southern District of California Panel of Bankruptcy Trustees – appointed in over 25,000 cases |
| 2000-Present | Appointed as Chapter 11 Trustee, Liquidating Trustee, Examiner, Special Master, Expert Witness, Receiver, Assignment for Benefit of Creditors, and Disbursing Agent in approximately 50 cases |
| 1999-Present | Representation of Trustees in Chapter 11 and Chapter 7 in hundreds of cases |
| 1999-Present | Owner, Financial Law Group PC– specializing in representation of Trustees, Fiduciaries, Creditors and Commercial Litigation |
| 2014-Present | Board of Directors of National Association of Bankruptcy Trustees |
| 2021-2022 | President - National Association of Bankruptcy Trustees |
| 2021-Present | Member, National Association of Federal Equity Receivers |
| 2010-Present | Member, United States Bankruptcy Court Mediation Panel |
| 2022-Present | Member, International Women's Insolvency and Restructuring Confederation |
| 1999-2001 | Board of Directors of San Diego Receiver's Forum |
| 2000-2003 | Board of Directors of San Diego Bankruptcy Forum |
| 2006-2009 | Board of Directors of Women's Insolvency Network |
| 2000-Present | Member, California Bankruptcy Forum |
| 2023-Present | Member, INSOL, Turnaround Management Association and Association of Insolvency and Restructuring Advisors |
| 1989-1998 | Of Counsel/Associate, Gray, Cary, Ames, and Frye and/or Gray, Cary, Ware & Freidenrich, Commercial and Financial Law |