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David leads Polsinelli's national distressed health care practice, guiding health care providers, investors and lenders through financial distress, restructuring and operational transitions. His work spans the full life cycle of health care distress — from problem-loan workouts and distressed M&A to complex Chapter 11 restructurings — always with a sector-specific lens.

Clients turn to David for his deep understanding of the regulatory, financial and operational pressures facing distressed health care organizations. He represents health care providers, REITs, hospitals, lenders, landlords, health care systems, skilled nursing and assisted living facilities and other investors across the country in distressed transactions and restructuring matters.

David's experience includes:

- Health care workouts and distressed M&A, including 363 sales and asset acquisitions
- Representing providers in problem loan workouts, bridge financings, forbearance agreements and other distressed transactions
- Advising on health care restructuring strategies, including out-of-court workouts, wind-downs and Chapter 11 proceedings
- Counseling creditors, committees, trustees and purchasers in restructuring and receivership matters

Prior to joining Polsinelli, David taught as an Adjunct Professor of Law at the Emory University School of Law for over seven years.

Education

- Emory University School of Law (J.D., *honors* , 2006)
- Georgetown University (B.A., 2003)

Bar Admissions

- Georgia

Capabilities

- Distressed Health Care
- Health Care
- Bankruptcy & Restructuring
- Senior Housing & Long Term Care
- Health Care Mergers & Acquisitions
- Special Situations Investing & Workouts

Court Admissions

- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Georgia
- U.S. District Court, Middle District of Georgia
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Eleventh Circuit

Memberships

- Adjunct Professor of Law at Emory University School of Law
- Member of Emory Bankruptcy Developments Journal Advisory Committee
- Member of the American Bankruptcy Institute
- Member of Turnaround Management Association
- Member of Bankruptcy Section of Atlanta Bar Association

Recognition

- Named to *GaBiz's* Top Lawyers List, 2025-2026
- Named to *Georgia Trend's* Legal Elite list for Bankruptcy Rights, 2018, 2023-2024
- Selected for inclusion in *Best Lawyers in America*® for:
 - Litigation - Bankruptcy, 2025-2026
 - Health Care Law, 2023-2026
 - Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law, 2020-2026
- Ranked in *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business*, Bankruptcy/Restructuring, Georgia, 2019-2025
- Ranked as an Up and Coming lawyer by *Chambers USA*, 2017, 2018
- Selected by Super Lawyers as one of Georgia's "Rising Stars" from 2012-2018

Matters

- Counsel to Petersen Acquisitions LLC in its acquisition of a portfolio of 46 skilled nursing facilities out of the Chapter 11 cases of Petersen Healthcare.
- Counsel to the University of Iowa Hospitals & Clinics in its Chapter 11 acquisition of Mercy Hospital Iowa City.
- Counsel to National Health Investors in various senior living workouts throughout the United States.
- Counsel to SMV Property Holdings in various senior living workouts throughout the United States.
- Counsel to American Eagle Delaware Holding Company, LLC and its affiliates in their Chapter 11 bankruptcy cases (Del.).
- Counsel to Eagle Senior Living in its Chapter 11 restructuring of its roughly \$240 million of municipal bond debt.
- Counsel to Woodland Towers in the distressed sale of substantially all of its assets.
- Counsel to the Chapter 11 Trustee for Neopharma, Inc., a domestic manufacturer of antibiotics and other pharmaceutical products.
- Counsel to Clare Oaks, an Illinois not-for-profit Continuing Care Retirement Community, in its Chapter 11 restructuring in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Illinois.
- Counsel to MED Healthcare Partners in the acquisition of various distressed healthcare assets throughout the United States.
- Counsel to Virtual Citadel, Inc. in its chapter 11 bankruptcy case.

- Counsel to Welcov Healthcare LLC and its subsidiaries and affiliates in the emergency transfer of over twenty Welcov-operated skilled nursing facilities and related health care assets and Welcov's subsequent dissolution proceedings.
- Counsel to Curae Health, Inc. and its affiliates in their Chapter 11 reorganization proceedings in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Middle District of Tennessee, Nashville Division.
- Represented a fund owned by Formation Capital as Plaintiffs in the Receivership of Fortis Management Group and its affiliates.
- Represented California healthcare district in its Chapter 9 reorganization proceedings in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of California.
- Represented hospice care provider and its debtor affiliates in Chapter 11 proceedings in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware.
- Represented Maybrook Healthcare, LLC in its acquisition of skilled nursing facilities and various healthcare-related assets throughout the United States.
- Represented MED Healthcare Partners in the acquisition of assets in the Vanguard Healthcare Chapter 11 cases.

Publications

December 16, 2024

Getting Past the Sugar High

Quoted, McKnights

December 12, 2024

Long-term Care Leads Healthcare in Number of Distressed Properties

Quoted, McKnights Senior Living

May 30, 2024

Labor costs, federal scrutiny create distress in senior living and care

Quoted, McKnights Senior Living

May 18, 2024

Healthcare sees highest Chapter 11 bankruptcy filings in 15 years: report

Quoted, McKnights Senior Living