

# Ronald J. Hacker

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Ron Hacker is a partner in the firm's Banking and Financial Services Department and a member of the Commercial Lending Group. Ron has extensive experience in syndicated lending, asset securitization (as counsel to commercial paper conduits and liquidity providers), derivative products, including credit derivatives and synthetic CLOs, and Ex-Im Bank guaranteed financings. Ron also has experience in secured and unsecured bank lending and has acted as counsel to the underwriter and purchaser in transactions involving the issuance of tax-exempt bonds and has worked with clients in structuring synthetic floating rate securities.

In the derivative products area, Ron has advised several major banks, corporations, insurance companies and municipal entities in transactions involving interest rate swaps, currency swaps, equity options, total return swaps, credit default swaps and forward delivery agreements.

## Representative Matters

- Counsel to Agent in \$800 million term and revolving credit facilities for a multi-national real estate services company
- Counsel to Agent in \$750 million term and revolving credit facilities for a credit card marketing and private-label card program company
- Counsel to Agent in several term and revolving leveraged private equity acquisitions in excess of \$100 million, which capital structure included subordinated debt or second lien debt
- Counsel to Agent in a secured syndicated financing of the recapitalization of a school bus company with operations in eight states and two countries
- Counsel to lenders in multiple transactions in the aggregate in excess of \$3 billion of Ex-Im Bank guaranteed financings

## Admitted

Illinois, 1988

## Education

University of Iowa College of Law, J.D., 1988

University of Illinois, B.A., 1985

## Practice Focus

Agribusiness Lending

Banking and Financial Services

Commercial Lending

Corporate Finance and Securities

Derivatives Transactions

Ex-Im Bank Financing

Investment Management

Lending to Private Equity Firms

Loan Syndications and Trading/Syndicated Credits

Senior Lending

Swaps, Derivatives and Synthetic Structures

- Counsel to Agent and Letter of Credit Banks in over \$800 million of financings in the commercial paper market for the US operation of an international commodity company
- Counsel to foreign bank as issuer in \$15 billion synthetic CLO which included a \$12 billion in Notional Amount Credit Default Swap
- Counsel to foreign bank as buyer of credit protection in \$3 billion synthetic CLO