

Bankruptcy/Restructuring

The DGC difference – Where there's distress, we find ourselves at the intersection of white-collar investigations, litigation, restructuring and bankruptcy. Uniquely, our team has extensive experience in all of these areas and will walk with you no matter which path you travel.

We work seamlessly with lawyers and other stakeholders across bankruptcy, white-collar, litigation, corporate and tax practices; and their clients.

Boutique Consulting Inside a CPA Firm

The DGC Litigation Support and Forensic Accounting team operates nimbly and responsively like a boutique with creative solutions to complex problems and efficient investigative tools and strategies. At the same time, we are housed inside a traditional, full-service accounting firm with technical resources in accounting, tax, transactions, and business formation/restructuring. DGC's Litigation Support and Forensic Accounting practice is uniquely positioned as a boutique within a CPA firm without the big firm conflicts of interest or national firm rates.

Solutions – Stabilize. Optimize. Protect. Preserve.

Liquidity and Cash Management - We're here to help whether in a crisis or on a routine basis.

- Evaluate key performance indicators per industry
- Optimize cash cycle
- Convert cash flow to operating cash flow model
- Forecast 13-week cash flow
- Analyze liquidity
- Model, budget, and forecast financial results
- Model scenarios, stress tests
- Analyze debt covenants
- Training on cash-centric management, liquidity management
- Interim or crisis accounting support

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Turnaround and Restructuring - DGC's experienced restructuring team will develop sound business plans and execute to maximize value.

- Understand the current state - viability analysis
- Liquidity analysis tools and services (see above)
- Centralize cash management and shorten cash cycle
- Prioritize disbursements
- Cost reduction and revenue enhancement plans
- Debt restructuring and recapitalization opportunities
- Asset disposal
- Manage and negotiate with creditors
- Develop dashboard and monitor progress toward milestones
- Prepare and communicate forward-looking business plans
- Interim management and finance
- Chief Restructuring Officer

Bankruptcy Financial Advisor - The keen eye of the forensic accountant coupled with the analytics and modeling of the financial advisor - all rolled into one. DGC will help navigate through uncharted areas working for either debtors, creditors' committees, bond holders, and lenders.

- Manage all aspects of the bankruptcy
- Assist in developing restructuring, financing and exit plans
- Work with all stakeholders to build consensus
- Solvency analysis
- Claims management and analysis
- Avoidance actions, preference claims analysis
- Statement of Financial Affairs and Schedule of Assets and Liabilities
- Litigation support, forensic investigations, expert witness testimony
- Fresh start accounting

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Sample Engagements – Advise. Analyze. Investigate. Resolve.

DGC has extensive solvency analysis experience ranging from the critique of small, distressed private investments to unprecedented, unique filers including a large commodities energy company and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico. Bankruptcy and white-collar crime often go hand in hand. With that in mind, our Partners have detangled the details underlying many of the most complex white-collar matters in recent history including corporate scandals that rocked corporate United States companies and one of the largest Ponzi schemes of our time. Experience our experience.

Unprecedented Bankruptcy / Complex Integrated Solvency Analysis

WHO Commonwealth of Puerto Rico
WHAT The Commonwealth of Puerto Rico filed petition for bankruptcy under PROMESA
WHEN 2019 - 2020
OUR ROLE Engaged as financial advisor to special claims counsel to Financial Oversight Management Board of Puerto Rico to perform forensic accounting, solvency, and \$5+ billion of claims resolutions

Mortgage Collapse

WHO Largest savings and loan bank
WHAT Multiple disputes stemming from the largest bank failure in US history
WHEN 2009 - 2016
OUR ROLE Counseled client on loan loss reserves, mortgage-backed securities claims, and economic damages reaching \$5+ billion

Distressed Asset Investing

WHO Vulture investment fund
WHAT Dispute following a failed reverse merger in the automotive supplier industry
WHEN 2010 - 2013 (Resolved 2013)
OUR ROLE Engaged by counsel to perform accounting and business valuation analysis of \$100+ million

Unprecedented Bankruptcy / Complex Transactions

WHO Commodities energy and service corporation.
WHAT Shareholders lost \$60+ billion, thousands of employees and investors lost their retirement accounts, and many employees lost their jobs. Large amounts of off-balance sheet debt
WHEN 2002 - 2011 (Resolved 2011)
OUR ROLE Engaged by counsel for creditors' committee to value the assets of the company and assess solvency

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Largest Ponzi Scheme in U.S. History

WHO	A registered investment advisor perpetrated a Ponzi scheme
WHAT	Tricked investors out of \$64.8 billion through the largest Ponzi scheme ever. Investors were paid returns out of their own money or that of other investors rather than profits
WHEN	2008
OUR ROLE	Engaged by counsel for a “Big Four” accounting firm (non-US firm) to analyze the independent auditor’s financial statement audits of the feeder funds. Analyzed multiple financial reporting periods, analyzed the audit planning and procedures in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISAs). Provided written expert opinions

Leveraged Buy-out

WHO	Wall Street investment bank
WHAT	Dispute following collapse of supplier of spandex and latex fibers due to currency crisis
WHEN	2006 - 2007 (Resolved 2007)
OUR ROLE	Engaged by counsel to assess the solvency of the supplier at the time of a leveraged buy-out transaction totaling \$100+ million

To learn more about DGC's Bankruptcy and White-Collar practice, contact Elisabeth da Silva, CPA, CFF at edasilva@dgccpa.com / 781-937-5792 or Kimberley Train, CPA, ABV at ktrain@dgccpa.com / 781-937-5112.