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## JASON TORF JOINS TUCKER ELLIS AS PARTNER IN BANKRUPTCY PRACTICE

**Tucker Ellis LLP** is pleased to announce that **Jason Torf** has joined the firm's **Business Litigation Group** as part of its **bankruptcy practice**. Mr. Torf is resident in the firm's Chicago office.

In Mr. Torf's creditor-focused bankruptcy practice, he devises and implements creative strategies to help companies maximize their recovery and minimize their risk when dealing with financially distressed customers, suppliers, and other related parties. In his nearly 25 years of practice, he has represented virtually all parties in bankruptcy proceedings and other financial distress contexts, giving him broad experience that allows him to anticipate various possible issues and effectively negotiate and litigate. He often acts as national counsel for major trade vendors dealing with customers in bankruptcy and other financial distress situations.

Mr. Torf works closely with clients from the outset, reviewing and revising their operative documents to secure their rights and remedies in the event of a customer default. He also counsels clients on their rights and remedies available under the Uniform Commercial Code, as well as best practices for ensuring enforceability of their terms and conditions.

As part of his practice, Mr. Torf is a prolific speaker to creditor-side trade groups, including the National Association of Credit Management (NACM), Credit and Financial Development Division (CFDD), various NACM industry credit groups, and The Toy Association. He speaks on myriad issues to equip credit managers and C-suite executives with the tools they need to minimize risk and maximize recovery when dealing with financially distressed customers and counterparties, including ways to protect their companies and enhance their recovery when dealing with financially distressed customers, both inside and outside of bankruptcy; proactive steps to tighten and enhance contract documents to improve rights and recoveries when customers become distressed or other issues arise; and supply chain issues impacting suppliers in light of both COVID and inflation.

"We're thrilled that Jason has joined Tucker Ellis," said <u>Karl Bekeny</u>, chair of the Tucker Ellis Trial Department. "His broad, specialized experience is vital to our expanding bankruptcy practice."

"We are fortunate to continue to attract top-flight, accomplished talent like Jason to Tucker Ellis," said Managing Partner <u>Joe Morford</u>. "The significant experience he brings to our bankruptcy and business litigation practices will be a huge benefit to our firm and – especially – our clients."

Mr. Torf received his law degree from the University of Illinois College of Law. He received his bachelor's degree in finance from the University of Illinois - Urbana-Champaign.

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