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#### Jones Walker Waechter Poitevent Carrère & Denègre LLP

This large regional firm's "excellent and immense" insurance, banking and finance department acts for large corporations, international banks and a variety of insurance institutions. Its work covers ERISA, corporate financing, insurance and all related legislative and regulatory components to transactions. **Marshall Page** leads the group from the New Orleans office. According to sources, he has "a lot of experience with transactions and understands what is necessary to get something closed." He excels at advising private equity houses and mortgage brokers in venture capital, financing, disposition and acquisition transactions. **Thomas Roberson**

predominantly represents corporate borrowers located in Louisiana with national interests in the financing side of acquisitions and project financings. He recently advised Freeport-McMoRan Cooper & Gold on the \$26 billion acquisition of Phelps Dodge. **Hughes Grehan** continues to carve out a niche practice acting for major banks on both the lender and borrower side in all marine-related transactions, including ship and shipyard financings. **Rivers Lelong** acts for privately held companies on secured finance, acquisitions and divestitures.

### BANKRUPTCY/RESTRUCTURING

<b>Bankruptcy/Restructuring</b>
<b>Leading Firms</b>
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#### Jones Walker Waechter Poitevent Carrère & Denègre LLP

This national mid-sized firm is particularly noted for the "great bankruptcy expertise" spread across its Louisiana offices. Historically weighty in the corporate arena, clients from a variety of industries benefit from the significant level of knowledge that the group contributes to all creditors'/debtors' rights, reorganizations and bankruptcy matters both in and out of the courts. **Patrick Vance** chairs the business and commercial litigation group in New Orleans, and is considered to be a "wonderful litigator" when defending clients in all bankruptcy

matters. He has advised a wide variety of disputes, including post-Katrina Chapter 11 filings, television and radio bond debt and a large reorganization of real estate entities as a result of the subprime market crash. Interviewees affirm that **Elizabeth Futrell** "does excellent work" for committees, indenture trustees and creditors on a variety of issues. Although her work is predominantly state-based, she represents national clients in matters such as the Chapter 11 filing of manufacturers Kaiser Aluminum.

### CORPORATE/M&A

<b>Corporate/M&amp;A</b>
<b>Leading Firms</b>
<b>Band 1</b>
Jones Walker Waechter Poitevent Carrère
<b>Leading Individuals</b>
<b>Band 1</b>
Hearn Curtis Jones Walker Waechter Poitevent Carrère
<b>Up-and-coming individuals</b>
Rousseau Dionne Jones Walker Waechter Poitevent
<b>Corporate/M&amp;A: Tax</b>
<b>Leading Individuals</b>
<b>Band 1</b>
Casey Robert Jones Walker Waechter Poitevent Carrère

#### Jones Walker Waechter Poitevent Carrère & Denègre LLP

Though it recently lost one of its star attorneys, sources don't expect Jones Walker's practice to be slowing down anytime soon: it remains one of the largest and most well-equipped teams in the Louisiana market, representing private and public companies alike. The group takes on M&A, securities, regulatory compliance, joint ventures and equity offerings for the likes of Superior Energy Services, Ruth's Chris Steak House and BNCCORP. Handling a mix of M&A and securities, **Curtis Hearn** is "a well-known and knowledgeable lawyer." He handles many of the firm's largest transactions. Younger lawyer **Dionne Rousseau** impresses peers with her practice in corporate matters and securities transactions. She is considered particularly adept at providing advice on

regulatory compliance. **Robert Casey's** transactional practice includes tax advice and estate planning. He is a board-certified tax specialist and has handled tax controversy administrative work and litigation.

## ENERGY & NATURAL RESOURCES

Energy & Natural Resources
Leading Firms
Band 1
Jones Walker Waechter Poitevent Carrère & Denègre

Energy & Natural Resources: Marine Finance
Leading Individuals
Band 1
Broders John Jones Walker Waechter Poitevent Carrère

Energy & Natural Resources: Oil & Gas
Leading Individuals
Band 1
Rosenblum Carl Jones Walker Waechter Poitevent

### Jones Walker Waechter Poitevent Carrère & Denègre LLP

The “*excellent and talented*” full-service energy department at this large national firm works on a wide range of transactions. The group is “*talented at litigating oil and gas disagreements*,” in addition to advising clients on all regulatory power matters and marine finance issues. The team is currently defending Sundown Energy in a variety of class actions arising from an oil spill during Hurricane Katrina.

**John Broders** is well thought of by the market for his niche practice, acting for clients involved in the purchase, sale and construction of shipping-related equipment on a national level. **Carl Rosenblum** is chair of the energy group in New Orleans. He defends pipelines, producers, seismic exploration companies and oilfield service companies in oil and gas disputes.

## ENVIRONMENT

Environment
Leading Firms
Band 1
Jones Walker Waechter Poitevent Carrère

Leading Individuals
Band 1
Chernekoff Michael Jones Walker Waechter Poitevent
Nosewicz Thomas Jones Walker Waechter Poitevent

### Jones Walker Waechter Poitevent Carrère & Denègre LLP

Well respected by peers for its regulatory and litigation skills, this environmental and toxic tort group has a large presence in New Orleans and Baton Rouge. Clients benefit from the team’s versatile practice, which covers a huge range of matters including those relating to CERCLA and the CWA. It also handles toxic tort and compliance matters, both in and out of the courts. Based in New Orleans, **Michael Chernekoff** leads the team and is currently advising a client on cost of

recovery and cleanup matters in a post-Katrina oil spill dispute. However, his toxic tort defense work and permitting and development counseling are also widely respected. **Thomas Nosewicz** focuses exclusively on litigious toxic tort, asbestos and chemical exposure cases in the Fifth Circuit. He handles these for a wide range of clients including airlines, power plants and manufacturers.

## GAMING & LICENSING

Gaming & Licensing
Leading Firms
Band 1
Jones Walker Waechter Poitevent Carrère

Leading Individuals
Band 1
Duncan J Kelly Jones Walker Waechter Poitevent Carrère

### Jones Walker Waechter Poitevent Carrère & Denègre LLP

The full-service gaming practice at this national firm is “*a highly developed group of lawyers*” that represents major casinos, financial institutions, race tracks and gaming manufacturers in all licensing and regulatory matters pertaining to land casinos, riverboats, racinos and video poker consoles. The team also works hand in hand with the employment, tax, corporate securities and admiralty departments

within the firm to cover all issues a client may face. **Kelly Duncan** is “*an extremely involved and highly responsive attorney*.” He is “*indisputably first-rate*” and acts for casinos and gaming manufacturers in all licensing and regulatory work. He continues to advise Tropicana Casinos on all of its gaming matters.

## LABOR & EMPLOYMENT

<b>Labor &amp; Employment</b>
<b>Leading Firms</b>
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Jones Walker Waechter Poitevent Carrère
<b>Leading Individuals</b>
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Heusel Cornelius Jones Walker Waechter Poitevent
<b>Band 3</b>
Anderson Jennifer Jones Walker Waechter Poitevent
Worley Robert Jones Walker Waechter Poitevent Carrère

### Jones Walker Waechter Poitevent Carrère & Denègre LLP

This is a “competitive and aggressive group,” renowned for its excellence, particularly in employment litigation. It handles traditional labor/management relations throughout the USA and counsels employers on federal immigration laws. The group also draws heavily on the firm’s other practice areas, including its employee benefits, ERISA and executive compensation practices, providing clients with comprehensive service. It represents big-name clients including Lockheed Martin Space Systems, Capital City Press, Energy Partners and Ruth’s Chris Steak House. **Sidney Lewis** is the leader of the practice group. He handles traditional labor and some litigation, but concentrates on counseling and training. His peers hold him in high regard, calling him

“an experienced practitioner with an excellent reputation.” **Mark Adams** is “an excellent employment attorney.” He focuses on litigation defense, counseling and training. **Cornelius Heusel** is “a very skilled, top-notch litigator,” primarily representing management. His background includes serving as an assistant federal prosecutor. **Jennifer Anderson** impresses sources with her litigation prowess. She defends employers in civil rights and other employment-related litigation and represents them before government agencies. **Robert Worley** is well regarded for his management defense litigation practice on behalf of clients in a diverse array of industries.

## LITIGATION

<b>Litigation: General Commercial</b>
<b>Leading Firms</b>
<b>Band 1</b>
Jones Walker Waechter Poitevent Carrère
<b>Leading Individuals</b>
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Hardin III Harry Jones Walker Waechter Poitevent Carrère
Vance R Patrick Jones Walker Waechter Poitevent
<b>Litigation: White-Collar Crime &amp; Government Investigations</b>
<b>Leading Individuals</b>
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Hardin Pauline Jones Walker Waechter Poitevent Carrère

### Jones Walker Waechter Poitevent Carrère & Denègre LLP

This “terrific team” has an admirably broad practice, covering matters including bankruptcy, securities and white-collar crime, and has clients in the health-care, real estate, hospitality, construction and education sectors. Class action work is one of its strong suits, with the team working for the likes of Bell-South, GM and Stewart Enterprises. **Pauline Hardin** chairs the firm’s white-collar crime group and acts on behalf of both companies and individuals. “An outstanding lawyer,” litigation practice group leader **Patrick Vance** has a creditors’ rights and bankruptcy practice, working with creditor, debtor and trustee clients across the country. **Harry Hardin** receives similar praise for his commercial practice, which includes appellate law, antitrust work and IP cases.

He frequently represents clients in the railroad and gaming industries.

## REAL ESTATE

<b>Real Estate</b>
<b>Leading Firms</b>
<b>Band 1</b>
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<b>Leading Individuals</b>
<b>Band 1</b>
Landry Charles Jones Walker Waechter Poitevent Carrère

### Jones Walker Waechter Poitevent Carrère & Denègre LLP

The land use, development and finance group at this full-service national firm has been boosted by the arrival of several new attorneys and continues to win praise as a “leading commercial and multistate” practice. The team represents clients in all development, management, planning, zoning and acquisition matters from the Baton Rouge and New Orleans offices. **Charles Landry** is a highly respected attorney and the group’s standout name. He has extensive

experience representing developers in the Traditional Neighborhood Development (TND) of five parishes in Louisiana as part of The Road Home strategy—a government incentive to rebuild the state in the wake of Hurricane Katrina. He additionally advises on the development of shopping malls, hotels, office buildings and health centers.

## Leaders

### ADAMS, H Mark

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*Recommended in Labor and  
Employment*

**Practice Areas:** Senior Partner and Founder of Jones Walker's Labor and Employment Practice. For more than 25 years, has successfully represented employers in all types of employment and labor relations litigation and dispute resolution. Also counsels employers on development of practical and preventive strategies for reducing risks of workplace claims.

**Prof. Memberships:** American Bar Association, Labor and Litigation Sections; Louisiana and Mississippi State Bars; also admitted: United States Supreme Court; United States Courts of Appeal, Second, Fifth, Sixth, Eighth, and Eleventh Circuits; all United States District Courts in Louisiana and Mississippi. Louisiana representative to Employers Counsel Network, an association of leading labor and employment law firms in the United States and Canada.

**Career:** Joined Jones Walker, 1981; Partner since 1986; Member of firm's Executive Committee from 2001 to 2006; chaired firm's Labor Relations and Employment Practice for more than 20 years. Recent accomplishments include counseling numerous employers through employment-related disaster recovery issues following Hurricanes Katrina and Rita and successful defense of several multi-plaintiff, class action, and representative employment discrimination lawsuits by individual employees and the EEOC.

**Publications:** Editor, 'Louisiana Employment Law Letter' (the leading Louisiana authority on developments and emerging trends in labor and employment law), since 1992.

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Employment*

**Practice Areas:** Partner in Jones Walker's Labor and Employment Practice representing employers in the litigation and trial of employment-related claims, including FLSA claims and collective actions, discrimination, harassment, and retaliation claims under various state and federal laws, and restrictive covenant and contract disputes. Regularly provides management training, conducts compliance audits, and counsels employers in the development of policies and practices

for complying with, and minimizing claims under, labor and employment laws.

**Prof. Memberships:** American Bar Association, Labor and Employment Law Section; Louisiana State Bar Association; Texas Bar Association; Louisiana representative to Employers Counsel Network, an association of leading labor and employment law firms in the United States and Canada.

**Career:** Admitted in Texas in 2005; admitted in Louisiana in 1995; Louisiana State University (JD, 1995, BA 1990).

**Publications:** Editor, 'Louisiana Employment Law Letter' (the leading Louisiana authority on developments and emerging trends in labor and employment law), since 1999.

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*Recommended in Energy*

**Practice Areas:** Senior Partner concentrating in all aspects of maritime and marine energy related matters with an emphasis on marine transactions, including construction of vessels, charters, services agreements, acquisitions and sales, financing and mortgages, flagging and manning, marine insurance and arbitration and related matters.

**Career:** Joined Jones Walker in 1971, Partner in 1976, Senior Partner in 2000.

**Personal:** Tulane University (BA 1971, JD 1971).

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*Recommended in Corporate/M&A*

**Practice Areas:** Tax (international, federal, state and local); trusts, estates and personal planning.

**Prof. Memberships:** American College of Tax Counsel (Member of Council); American Bar Association (Member, Section on Taxation; past Chairman, Committee on Partnerships, 1982-84; past Member of Council, 1985-88; past Secretary, Section on Taxation, 1988-1989; past Vice-Chair, Section on Taxation, 1989-91); Louisiana Law Institute; Louisiana State Bar Association (past Chair, Section on Taxation, 1978-79).

**Career:** Mr Casey's practice is predominantly transactional, dealing with acquisitions of businesses, sales of businesses, tax advice to businesses and individuals, and estate planning. He occasionally is involved in tax controversy administrative work and litigation. He concentrates on federal, Louisiana, and local income,

estate, gift, and sales taxation. Mr Casey is a Board Certified Tax Specialist. Mr Casey was named one of Worth magazine's 100 Top Attorneys serving affluent families for 2005 and 2006.

**Personal:** New York University School of Law, LL.M. in Taxation, 1973, Harry Rudnick Award; Tulane University Law School, JD, 1971, Tulane Law Review, Order of the Coif; University of Notre Dame, BBA in Accounting, 1968, magna cum laude.

### CHERNEKOFF, Michael A

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**Practice Areas:** Environmental and toxic torts, class action defense, and energy.

**Prof. Memberships:** Louisiana State Bar Association (Environmental Law Section, Chairman, 1993-94), American Bar Association (Sections on Environment, Energy and Resources, Vice-Chair, Environmental Enforcement and Crimes Committee, 2005-06, 2006-07, 2007-08; Torts and Insurance Practice, Toxic Tort and Environment Law Committee; Litigation, Environmental Litigation Committee); DRI (Toxic Torts and Environmental Law Committee); District of Columbia Bar; New Orleans Bar Association; Houston Bar Association; State Bar of Texas.

**Career:** Mr Chernekoff started his career at the US Environmental Protection Agency in Washington, DC as an attorney advisor in the Office of Air, Mobile Source Enforcement from 1981 until joining Jones Walker in May 1982. Mr Chernekoff can also be reached in the firm's Houston office at 713 437 1827.

**Publications:** Mr Chernekoff has written and presented on a variety of environmental topics including: criminal enforcement; civil enforcement; compliance auditing; due diligence; Brownfield reclamation projects; CERCLA, RCRA and Clean Water Act programs.

**Personal:** Admitted to Bar, 1980, District of Columbia; 1982, Louisiana; 2006, Texas.

### DUNCAN, J Kelly

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*Recommended in Gaming & Licensing*

**Practice Areas:** Member of the firm's Admiralty and Maritime and Business and Finance Practice Groups. Firm's Gaming Practice Chair concentrating in the representation of major casino companies, domestic and international manufacturers and suppliers, and finan-

cial institutions in connection with licensing, compliance, statutory and regulatory interpretation, administrative hearings, acquisitions, operations and financings. Over 25 years of experience in handling acquisitions, financings, contracts, constructions, lien enforcement and foreclosure, and customs rulings with particular emphasis on marine related matters.

**Prof. Memberships:** Member of the following: International Masters of Gaming Law; International Association of Gaming Attorneys; American Bar Association - Sections on Admiralty and Maritime Law and Business Law - Maritime Financing and Gaming Law Committee; Maritime Law Association of the United States - Maritime Financing; New Orleans Maritime Seminar Advisory and Planning Committees; and past Chairman of the New Orleans Bar Association Maritime and International Law Committee.

**Career:** Member of Jones Walker's Board of Directors.

**Publications:** Member, Editorial Board, Gaming Law Review.

**Personal:** Born, New Orleans, Louisiana, February 22, 1954; Georgetown University (AB, cum laude, 1976); Tulane University (JD, 1979).

### FUTRELL, Elizabeth J

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*Recommended in Bankruptcy*

**Practice Areas:** Ms Futrell is a Senior Partner concentrating in bankruptcy, restructuring and creditors debtors rights and business and commercial litigation.

**Prof. Memberships:** The Mississippi and Louisiana State (Former Vice-Chair, Advisory Commission for Bankruptcy Specialization) Bar Associations; American Bankruptcy Institute; Fellow, American College of Bankruptcy.

**Career:** Ms Futrell has practiced law for more than 25 years. She has been a Partner at the firm since 1986 and is a Member of the firm's Board of Directors (commencing 2006). A frequent public speaker, some of Ms Futrell's speaking engagements include: 'Distressed Real Estate Issues Under the Bankruptcy Code'. Louisiana Bankers 2007 Bank Counsel Conference (2007), and 'How That Pesky Consumer Protection Act Has Affected Business Bankruptcies: BAPCPA and Significant Recent Rulings'. Louisiana State Bar Association, Section on Bankruptcy Law (2007).

**Personal:** University of Tennessee (BA, with high honors, 1978); University of Mississippi (JD, with honors, 1981); Phi Delta Phi; Phi Kappa Phi; Comment Editor, Mississippi Law Journal, 1980-81.



## GREHAN, H Hughes

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*Recommended in Banking & Finance*

**Practice Areas:** Member of the firm's Business and Finance and Corporate and Securities Practice Groups. His primary areas of practice include commercial and corporate finance transactions and drafting and negotiating various types of commercial contracts for both public and private companies. He has extensive experience in representing both borrowers and lenders in structuring, negotiating and documenting both syndicated and non-syndicated credit facilities, with a particular emphasis on maritime related financings. He also has experience in drafting and negotiating domestic and international strategic alliance agreements, joint ventures, investment partnerships and other types of sophisticated commercial contracts.

**Prof. Memberships:** Louisiana State Bar Association.

**Career:** Joined Jones Walker in 1991;

Partner in 1999. Member of Jones Walker's Board of Directors (commencing 2006).

**Personal:** Born New Orleans, Louisiana July 31, 1965; University of Virginia (BA, 1987); Tulane University (JD, cum laude, 1991).

## HARDIN III, Harry S

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*Recommended in Litigation*

**Practice Areas:** Senior Partner concentrating in commercial business litigation, contract, railroad, antitrust, trademark, copyright, professional responsibility and environmental law.

**Prof. Memberships:** Fellow, American College of Trial Lawyers; American Judicature Society Board of Directors (2003-06); American Bar Association: Board of Governors (2005-08), Louisiana State Delegate (1994-2003), Fifth Circuit Representative to Standing Committee on Federal Judiciary (1998-2002), Sections of Litigation, Antitrust, Patent Trademark and Copyright, Tort and Insurance Practice; Louisiana State Bar Association, past President; Louisiana Bar Foundation, past President; International Association of Defense Counsel; National Association of Railroad Trial Counsel.

**Career:** 1971 Jones Walker, (1973-77 1st Lt JAG US Army), Partner, 1976; Chair, Appellate Practice; speaks on ethics, professionalism and malpractice avoidance; Louisiana Supreme Court: Chair, Judicial Campaign Oversight Committee, Advisory Committee for Revision of Code of Judicial Conduct.

**Publications:** Managed Care and

Antitrust: The PPO Experience, ABA Press (contributing author); 'Pitfalls for In-House Counsel', The Brief, ABA Press.  
**Personal:** New Orleans native; BA Harvard (cum laude); JD Tulane University.

## HARDIN, Pauline

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*Recommended in Litigation*

**Practice Areas:** Commercial litigation, white-collar crime and corporate compliance, and environmental and toxic torts.  
**Prof. Memberships:** Louisiana State Bar Association; American Bar Association; American College of Trial Lawyers; Louisiana Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers.

**Career:** Ms Hardin has been a Partner in the firm's Litigation Section since 1990. She has over 30 years of experience litigating criminal matters and over 20 years of experience litigating business and commercial matters. She served as the former Head of the Litigation Section at Jones Walker for four years. Prior to joining Jones Walker, Ms Hardin was with the United States Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of Louisiana and served as both First Assistant United States Attorney and Chief of the Criminal Division. Prior to that time, she served as an Assistant District Attorney in charge of the Orleans Parish Fraud and White-Collar Crime Unit.

**Personal:** Born in New Orleans, Louisiana; admitted to Bar, 1974, Louisiana; Loyola University of New Orleans (BA, 1971); Tulane University (JD, 1974).

## HEARN, Curtis R

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*Recommended in Corporate/IM&A*

**Practice Areas:** Mergers and acquisitions; corporate and securities; venture capital; healthcare transactions.

**Prof. Memberships:** Member of Business Law Section of American Bar Association; Member of Negotiated Acquisitions Task Force of Business Law Section.

**Career:** Practice Group Leader of firm's Corporate and Securities Practice Group.

**Personal:** Adjunct Professor of Law, Mergers and Acquisitions, Tulane University Law School.

## HEUSEL, Cornelius

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*Recommended in Labor and Employment*

**Practice Areas:** Senior Partner in Jones Walker's labor and employment and white-collar crime and corporate compli-

ance practices.

**Career:** Mr Heusel served three years as a Special Agent with the Federal Bureau of Investigation before serving as Executive Assistant District Attorney for Orleans Parish in charge of capital cases. In 1972, he joined the US Attorney's Office in New Orleans, serving as Criminal Division Chief and First Assistant US Attorney. In 1976, he received the US Attorney General's Exceptional Service Award. Beginning in 1977, he headed the Department of Justice Organized Crime and Racketeering Strike Force with jurisdiction over Texas, Louisiana, Arkansas, Mississippi, and Alabama. He also served as an Assistant Special Prosecutor appointed by the federal courts to investigate allegations of corruption involving members of the White House staff. Mr Heusel has been a guest lecturer at the US Department of Justice Trial Advocacy Institute on Trial Tactics and a member of the Tulane University School of Law Panel of Instructors on Trial Advocacy. Since 1979, he has primarily represented management in the field of labor relations. Mr Heusel joined Jones Walker in 1999.

**Personal:** Native of New Orleans; Loyola University (BBA, 1967; JD, 1967).

## LANDRY, Charles

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*Recommended in Real Estate*

**Practice Areas:** Real estate; land use; project development; and finance.

**Prof. Memberships:** LSU Foundation; Urban Land Institute; Council for a Better Louisiana; East Baton Rouge Parish Planning Commission Zoning Ordinance Task Force; Pennington Biomedical Foundation.

**Career:** Charles Landry's practice includes real estate development and finance, land use and zoning, and business and commercial law. He represents numerous parties in a wide range of real estate transactions, which include residential developments (including Traditional Neighborhood Developments), office buildings, shopping centers, hotels, medical facilities, golf course communities, and industrial developments. He was instrumental in establishing the Louisiana Technology Park and is General Counsel to the Research Park Corporation. Since 1993, he has been listed in The Best Lawyers in America® (Copyright Woodward/White, Inc. of Aiken, SC). The Baton Rouge Business Report named him 2006 Businessperson of the Year and to the 2007 Power Book Top 10 list of the most influential people in the Baton Rouge Capital Region. He was selected to the 2007 edition of Louisiana Super Lawyers in the area of Real Estate.

**Publications:** "The Foreign Investor's

Guide to the Legal Aspects of Doing Business in Louisiana," co-editor.

**Personal:** Louisiana State University Law School (JD, 1977); (BS, Business, 1975).

## LELONG, Rivers

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*Recommended in Banking & Finance*

**Practice Areas:** Mr Lelong's practice involves a variety of commercial transactions involving secured finance, real estate, acquisitions and divestitures of privately held companies and their assets, and the negotiation of sophisticated commercial contracts.

**Prof. Memberships:** Louisiana State Bar Association.

**Career:** Admitted to Bar, 1990, Louisiana; Partner at Jones Walker since 1998.

**Personal:** Born New Orleans, Louisiana, February 14, 1965; Amherst College (BA, summa cum laude, 1987); Stanford Law School (JD 1990).

## LEWIS, Sidney

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*Recommended in Labor and Employment*

**Practice Areas:** Mr Lewis is a Senior Partner and practice group leader of the firm's Labor and Employment Law Practice Group. He is an experienced litigator in federal, state and administrative judicial forums. A large part of his practice is devoted to advising and counseling employers with respect to union organizing drives and in the development, maintenance and administration of personnel policies, procedures and employee relations to minimize exposure to litigation and union organizing. Mr Lewis regularly conducts supervisor and management training programs. He is a frequent speaker for human resource associations, and has authored numerous articles for professional journals and other publications on a wide range of labor and employment law topics.

**Prof. Memberships:** American Bar Association Labor and Employment Law Section; Louisiana State Bar Association.

**Career:** Admitted in Louisiana, 1985; Joined Jones Walker as Partner in 1999; Tulane School of Law (JD, 1985); University of Alabama (BA, 1982).

**Publications:** 'Jones Walker Labor and Employment Tip Sheet' (electronic newsletter) (editor).

**Personal:** Native of New Orleans, Louisiana.

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*Recommended in Environment*

**Practice Areas:** Mr Nosewicz is a Senior Partner concentrating in environmental, business and product liability litigation. In 1979, he began representing a large asbestos manufacturer and has continued to represent other manufacturers, plant owners and defendants in building/asbestos litigation and varied chemical exposure claims. He has successfully defended several Agent Orange claims arising out of service-related claims from Vietnam and Korea. He has handled the defense and trial of lengthy environmental and toxic tort claims before juries involving multiple plaintiffs and class actions claiming the full spectrum of tort damages. He has successfully tried cases in Louisiana, Arkansas, Florida, and Virginia.

**Prof. Memberships:** New Orleans Association of Defense Counsel, Board of Directors and President; International Association of Defense Counsel, Member, Toxic Tort Subcommittee; American Bar Association, Member, Section on Litigation; Torts and Insurance Practice, Toxic Torts and Environmental Law Committee, Vice-Chair, newsletter editor; and Section on Natural Resources, Energy, Environmental Law; and Products Liability.

**Career:** Joined firm in 1974, Partner in 1979; former Chair of firm's Casualty Practice Group.

**Personal:** Native of Detroit, Michigan; resides in New Orleans, Louisiana; Tulane University (BA 1968; JD 1973).

## PAGE, Marshall

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*Recommended in Banking & Finance*

**Practice Areas:** Mr Page is the leader of the firm's Business and Finance Practice Group. His practice primarily involves mergers and acquisitions, venture capital, joint ventures and financing relating to such transactions. Mr Page is the Chairman of the International Section of the Louisiana State Bar Association. Mr Page has handled transactions on six continents, in a large percentage of the US states and in the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

**Prof. Memberships:** Louisiana State Bar Association (Chairman, International Section).

**Personal:** Partner since 1996; University of Virginia (JD, 1988; BA, with distinction, 1985), Virginia Law Review; Jefferson Scholar (one of 12 full-tuition, merit based scholarships awarded that year); Echols Scholar; one of 50 fourth year students to live on the Lawn; Omicron Delta Kappa; listed in The Best Lawyers in America® (Copyright 2008 Woodward/White, Inc., Aiken, SC) in the area of Financial Institutions Law.

## ROBERSON JR, Thomas Y

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*Recommended in Banking & Finance*

**Practice Areas:** Mr Roberson's practice encompasses a broad range of commercial and corporate finance matters. He represents and advises the firm's corporate and banking clients in connection with a wide variety of domestic and international financing transactions, including financing of mergers and acquisitions, recapitalizations, working capital facilities, public and private debt offerings and various structured and project financings.

**Prof. Memberships:** Louisiana State Bar Association.

**Career:** Admitted to Bar, 1988, Louisiana; joined Jones Walker in 1988, Partner since 1996.

**Personal:** Born Lexington, Kentucky, January 25, 1958; University of Delaware (BS, 1980); Tulane University (JD, cum laude, 1988).

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*Recommended in Energy*

**Practice Areas:** Senior Litigation Partner and Chair of firm's Energy Industry Group. He devotes his time primarily to the representation of parties involved in significant oil and gas disputes. He represents independent producers, major producers, pipeline companies, oilfield service companies, seismic exploration companies, oil and gas management companies, financial institutions and significant landowners. He has handled numerous disputes concerning the rights and obligations of parties to joint operating agreements, oil and gas leases, royalty matters, exploration agreements, gas purchase contracts, drilling contracts, pipeline right-of-way agreements, farmout agreements, gas balancing agreements, seismic permitting and exploration agreements, and the enforcement of oil and gas liens, as well as the recognition and protection of those rights when an operator files for protection under the US Bankruptcy Code.

**Prof. Memberships:** Admitted to the State Bars of Louisiana and Texas; American Bar Association; Louisiana State Bar Association; Texas State Bar Association.

**Career:** Joined Jones Walker, 1983; Partner since 1990.

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**Practice Areas:** Corporate, securities, corporate finance, mergers and acquisitions, venture capital and corporate governance matters for public and private companies.

**Career:** She joined Jones Walker in 1990 and became a Partner in 1998; Investment Banker with Paine Webber Capital Markets, New York, 1985-87.

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*Recommended in Bankruptcy,  
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**Practice Areas:** Commercial litigation, bankruptcy, and creditors-debtors rights. As a trial lawyer he has handled over three hundred plus commercial disputes in a wide variety of practice areas: antitrust, RICO, copyright infringement, Lanham Act, securities litigation, defense of class actions, foreclosures, fraud, lender liability, ERISA, dealer-distributor disputes, successions, legal malpractice, expropriation, partnership and utility regulation. He has over 70 reported decisions. He regularly represents debtors, secured and unsecured creditors in all types of business bankruptcy cases involving lenders, telecommunications, utilities, maritime, oil and gas, the music industry, casinos and insurance companies.

**Prof. Memberships:** National Bankruptcy Conference; Fellow, American Law Institute and American College of Bankruptcy; past Chairman of the following: Louisiana Bankers Association, Bank Counsel Committee; Bankruptcy Litigation Subcommittee, ABA.

**Career:** Louisiana State University (BA, 1970; JD 1975); Phi Beta Kappa Faculty Group Award; Louisiana Law Review, 1973-75; admitted to Bar, 1975, Louisiana; practice group leader, business and commercial litigation; Chair, Executive Committee (1994-95; 1999-2000; 2004).

**Publications:** Mr Vance has written 50-plus articles and outlines on topics involving commercial litigation, lender liability and bankruptcy.

**Personal:** Born Birmingham, Alabama, 1948.

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**Practice Areas:** Labor and employment - represents management in the defense of employment litigation throughout the United States. Has defended lawsuits in more than 30 states, and has tried cases in 20 states. Also counsels and trains management regarding the various employment laws in an effort to minimize legal exposure.

**Prof. Memberships:** Member of the Bars of US Supreme Court, Louisiana, Texas, US Court of Appeals for the 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th and 11th Circuits, and 11 federal district courts; America Inns of Court (Tulane).

**Career:** Twenty-two years of law practice; Senior Partner in the Labor and Employment Section of Jones Walker; Chairman of Professional Employment Committee (2000-04); Chairman of Jones Walker United Way Campaign (2001-04); City-Business Leadership in Law award, 2007. **Personal:** Born March 9, 1960 in Mobile, Alabama; President of New Orleans Area Habitat for Humanity (2005-2007); Secretary of the Louisiana Tennis Association and Chairman of the Louisiana Junior Tennis Council; graduated from the University of Kentucky (with honors), 1982 and Juris Doctor from Tulane University School of Law, 1985.

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**FIRM OVERVIEW:** Jones Walker is one of the largest law firms in the Gulf South, with nearly three dozen practice areas. More than 200 attorneys are located in Baton Rouge, Houston, Lafayette, Miami, New Orleans, The Woodlands, and Washington, DC. Businesses routinely call on Jones Walker to handle matters of local, regional, national and international interest.

**Client Services:** The firm is committed to providing excellent and proactive legal services to major multinational, public and private corporations, including major enterprises headquartered in Louisiana, *Fortune* 500 companies, money center banks, and worldwide insurers, as well as family and emerging businesses doing business in the United States and abroad. By understanding its clients' businesses and building strong, personal relationships with them, Jones Walker creates a working partnership that is concentrated on getting the best results in the most efficient manner.

**MAIN AREAS OF PRACTICE:** Admiralty and maritime; antitrust and trade regulation; appellate litigation; aviation; bankruptcy, restructuring and creditors-debtors rights; business and commercial litigation; class action defense; commercial lending and finance; construction; corporate and securities; employee benefits, ERISA and executive compensation; energy; environmental and toxic torts; FDA matters; gaming; government relations; healthcare; insurance, banking and financial services; intellectual property; international; labor relations and employment; mergers and acquisitions; products liability; professional liability; project development and finance; public finance; real estate: land use, development and finance; tax (international, federal, state and local); telecommunications and utilities; trusts, estates and personal planning; venture capital and emerging companies; white-collar crime and corporate compliance.

**INTERNATIONAL WORK:** Jones Walker has handled international transactions on five continents, with a concentration in Latin America, Europe and Asia. The firm has particular experience in the area of counseling financial services businesses including insurers, banks, mutual funds and producers. The firm has advised multinational insurance company clients on company formation, foreign regulatory issues with respect to variable life, annuity and health insurance products, foreign laws governing authorization, licensing, marketing practices, agents and brokers, and bancassurance, the drafting and interpretation of insurance policies. It has also advised foreign governments in connection with insurance and pension reform legislation.

Jones Walker has handled international construction projects, cross-border mergers and acquisitions and international joint ventures and has successfully closed project financings related to large international infrastructure projects, including major development projects, joint ventures, investments and/or asset acquisitions, service agreements, and engineering, procurement and construction contracts throughout the world. The firm's maritime practice includes charter party and cargo transactions, international marine sales contracts, international vessel acquisitions, as well as financings and flagging of vessels. Jones Walker has significant experience in handling international maritime and commercial litigation and arbitration matters.

Through its more than ten-year partnering relationship with an international metals and mining company and its subsidiaries, the firm has gained extensive experience representing US-based companies operating in foreign countries. This unique partnering relationship involves the handling of virtually all of the client's international business matters, providing representation with respect to all major acquisitions, joint venture arrangements, privatization transactions, product sales agreements, drilling and earthworks projects, offshore and onshore engineering, procurement, construction and maintenance contracts, strategic alliance agreements (relative to the outsourcing of facility operations), transportation agreements and other operating agreements relative to its mining and smelting operations.

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The firm regularly represents clients in UNCITRAL and ICC arbitrations and has overseen litigation filed with foreign tribunals. The firm represents both domestic and foreign clients before US tribunals in international matters.

In connection with international corporate compliance matters, Jones Walker regularly advises clients with respect to the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, the Foreign Assets Control Regulations administered by OFAC, the USA Patriot Act, the Homeland Security Act, US anti-boycott legislation and the Sarbanes-Oxley Act. Jones Walker also advises international clients on the General Agreement on Trade in Services (GATS), US bilateral investment treaties with foreign countries, NAFTA and DR-CAFTA.

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