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Monday, December 2, 2002

7:30

Registration and Continental Breakfast

(Registration for the Conference will continue for those not attending the Valuation Workshop.)

8:00

Telecom Valuation Workshop Part I

For six years Stuart Gilson has presented this workshop and every _ year it gets better and better. Those who have participated in it more than once agree that they get a fresh perspective every time. You



will complete this workshop with a stronger bargaining position. Incorporating material from his popular corporate restructuring course at the Harvard Business School, Dr. Gilson will take you through a quick study of basic valuation techniques to enhance investor returns:

- Using discounted cash flow models to estimate going concern value
- · Comparable companies and transactions multiples
- Capital structure alternatives
- Asset and break-up analysis
- Estimating rate of return hurdle rates

Stuart C. Gilson, PhD

Steven R. Fenster Professor HARVARD UNIVERSITY GRADUATE SCHOOL OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Author

Creating Value Through Corporate Restructuring

Part II

Case Study: Arch Wireless

Arch presents a case in which protecting the value of the estate in reorganization was complicated by the indeterminate value of the assets. This panel will examine:

- How to manage costs to manage cash flow in a declining business
- Determining and managing the risks of investing in new ventures with a deteriorating cash flow
- Insuring the fair distribution of value in a business for which asset valuation is difficult

DR. GILSON WILL BE JOINED IN THIS CASE STUDY BY:

George J. Schultze Managing Member SCHULTZE ASSET MANAGEMENT LLC

Brandon G. Stranzl

Senior Research Analyst THIRD AVENUE FUNDS M.J. WHITMAN, INC.

Part III Finding Value in Distressed Telecoms

Capitalism is always in crisis somewhere and most often the problem is overcapacity. Marx would be proud of this industry for proving one of his points. Billions of dollars of market value has evaporated from the Telecom industry, but there has got to be some value in all those networks, and all those miles of hardwire, but where is it and how do you value the hardware? How do you identify the survivors? How do you value the credits? This panel will take a look at the valuation issues and look at some of the basket cases including WorldCom.

Mark Shinderman

Partner MUNGER TOLLES & OLSON LLP

Joseph J. Radecki, Jr.

Managing Director CIBC WORLD MARKETS

Brandon G. Stranzl Senior Research Analyst THIRD AVENUE FUNDS M.J. WHITMAN, INC.

10:00 Workshop Adjourns

10:15 Co-Chairs' Welcome

Deborah Hicks Midanek Principal

GLASS & ASSOCIATES, INC.

J. Andrew Rahl, Jr. Partner, Head of the Bankruptcy Practice ANDERSON KILL & OLICK PC

10:30 The Year In Review: Default and Recovery Trends

In a wild year of unexpected bankruptcies and surprising corruption Professor Altman will assess the damage to the returns on distressed bonds and bank loans. In particular, historical comparisons to the tough markets of 1989-1990 (which was followed by the successful years of 1991-1993) and 1998 will be reviewed and discussed. What will the historical results and projected recovery trends mean for distressed investors?

Edward I. Altman, PhD

Max L. Heine Professor of Finance STERN SCHOOL OF BUSINESS NEW YORK UNIVERSITY

11:00

The Year in Review: Individual Credits

One of the most consistently direct, conceptual and interesting distressed investors will discuss the trading successes and failures during the year in the distressed market in his highly informative and energetic year-in-review discussion.

Steven L. Gidumal

Director of Distressed Research TRILOGY CAPITAL LLC

11:30

Successfully Negotiating Creditors' Committee Lockup Agreements

The U.S. Trustee for the District of Delaware recently prevailed in litigation determining that persons who executed pre-filing lock-up agreements were ineligible to serve as members of an Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors in a Chapter 11 case. This could have far-reaching implications if adopted in other venues. This session will bring you up to date on:

- Confidentiality issues
- Big Boy sale exceptions
- Binding successors
- Multiple-related Record holders
- Multi-tiered Beneficial holders
- Termination provisions

Ronald L. Fein

Partner

STUTMAN TREISTER & GLATT PC

Roberta De Angelis

Assistant United States Trustee **DISTRICT OF DELAWARE**

12:00

Luncheon for All Speakers and Delegates

1:15

Late Breaking News

There is so much distress in the pipeline that we have kept this slot open for what may come. As we go to press U.S. Airways has just filed. Will other airlines follow? A major energy company? Or maybe a company that is not on anybody's radar except one of our favorite debtors' counsel?

David M. Powlen, Panel Moderator

Managing Director and Co-Manager Restructuring Group MCDONALD INVESTMENTS INC.

Martin J. Bienenstock

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James H.M. Sprayregen

Partner
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2:15

Update on Asbestos Bankruptcies

Asbestos claims are providing us with America's Eurotunnel: distressed debt for our grandchildren to consider. Rumor on the Street has it that the auto makers are fielding thousands of asbestos claims a week. Now that would be a filing for the ages. This panel will bring you up to date on current cases: WR Grace, Babcock Wilcox, Owens Corning, and Armstrong, and take a look at what might be in store for the future.

Debra A. Dandeneau, Counsel to Armstrong World, Panel Moderator

Partner

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Jan Baker, Debtor's Special Counsel, Owens Corning *Partner*

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Norman L. Pernick, Debtor's Counsel, Owens Corning *Partner*

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3:00

Networking Break

3:15

Protecting the Value of the Estate

- The role of the turnaround manager
- The question of fees, fees, fees
- Venue strategy: pricing in the Delaware factor
- Bonds vs. banks
- Replacing management

John P. Brincko, Panel Moderator

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Harold L. Kaplan Partner

GARDNER CARTON & DOUGLAS

Hugh M. Ray

Partner, Head of Bankruptcy Practice ANDREWS & KURTH LLP

4:00

Struggle Among the Classes: Substantive Consolidation

World class struggle has broken out among the creditors in WorldCom, Enron, Owens Corning, Kmart, and Polaroid, only to mention a few billion dollars in credits. In all these cases the contest is between value in the subsidiaries versus the parent company. The financial markets have bet tens of billions of dollars in these cases without any idea how the legal concept works. Come and find out who wins and who loses.

- Accounting for debt to the sub
- How useless is the consolidated balance sheet?
- Reading the fine print in the bond indenture
- Resolving valuation issues

Isaac M. Pachulski, Counsel to a major Enron Creditor, Panel Moderator

Partner

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David S. Rosner (Invited), Counsel to the MCI bonds *Partner*

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5:00

Wine Tasting for All Delegates and Speakers

Sponsored by Anderson Kill & Olick and conducted by Andy Rahl, this year will contrast two legendary Bordeaux, 1981 Chateau Margaux and an equally prestigious white, with equivalent red and white Burgundies. Don't miss this opportunity to taste some of the greatest wine in the world.

Tuesday, December 3

8:00

CLE Ethics Hour: Corporate Governance Issues in Troubled Companies

No topic in bankruptcy is any hotter than this and nothing has approached it in recent history. One could be reminded of that old folk song: what do you do with a drunken sailor...early in the morning? Some of these managements have been so out of control it makes you wonder about their sobriety if not their sanity. This session might be called: picking up the ethical pieces.

Edward S. Weisfelner, Panel Moderator *Partner*

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Deryck A. Palmer

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9:00

Situation Report: Global Crossing

This conference series began eight years ago focused primarily on an international case. Does anybody remember Maxwell? (Or "Maxwell's silver hammer"?) Then a funny thing happened to the U.S. distressed market: nobody was interested in international any more. Now we can't avoid it. Just look how many of us are opening a London office. This is a textbook case study in international bankruptcy, and could provide a model for others to follow.

Russell A. Belinsky, Financial Consultant to the Creditors' Committee, Panel Moderator

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Edward S. Weisfelner, Creditors' Committee Counsel *Partner*

BROWN RUDNICK BERLACK ISRAELS LLP

9:45

Networking Break

10:00

Situation Report: Kmart

Just when everything was going smoothly, a new management team in place, unprofitable stores closed, cordial negotiations continuing, a major marketing asset is clouded by insider trading charges (but not in Kmart securities). Will Martha be indicted? An insider says no, because it would not be a good thing. Does it matter? Kmart shoppers do not seem to care, but around the corner there is a bear: Can Kmart survive WalMart? A lot of distressed investors are just saying no to the bonds at 30.

John Wm. Butler, Jr, Debtor's Counsel

Partner, Co-Head of International Insolvency SKADDEN ARPS SLATE MEAGHER & FLOM (ILLINOIS)

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Paul Traub, Equity Committee Counsel *Partner*

TRAUB BONACQUIST & FOX LLP

10:45 11:45 Investors' Roundtable: New Business **Reflections on the Distressed Market Opportunities** At a time when he could retire with honors, Harvey Miller, Dean of the Bankruptcy Bar, has started a new career as a This is always one of everybody's favorite sessions: a look banker. The world wants to know what this means. into the crystal ball at distressed credits and credits that may become distressed as a portent for new business opportunities Harvey R. Miller (Invited) for all to enjoy. Senior Partner WEIL GOTSHAL & MANGES LLP Steven L. Gidumal, Panel Moderator Director of Distressed Research 12:15 TRILOGY CAPITAL Luncheon with Keynote Speaker **Leon Frenkel Stephen F. Cooper** General Partner Managing Principal TRIAGE CAPITAL MANAGEMENT **ZOLFO COOPER LLC** Judy K. Mencher Interim CEO Principal **ENRON CORPORATION DDJ CAPITAL MANAGEMENT LLC** 1:30 **Gregory T. Hradsky Conference Adjourns** Managing Partner **BELLPORT CAPITAL ADVISORS LLC**

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Dear Colleague:

The last time I wrote one of these letters, I warned you to beware the dreaded L, the flat, not really a recovery. Just a few months ago a lot of people were expecting a U-shaped recovery. So much for the U. The Man in the White House keeps talking about shutting down the Strait of Hormuz for an unknown period of time while he corrects a mistake that his Daddy made. Has anybody calculated what even a few weeks of \$40 crude oil is going to do to the world economy? 737s will be cheaper by the dozen.

But enough of shadenfreude. Let's have a little levity. I am so happy that Judy Mencher will be with us again. I hope she will have a new joke for us, but in case she doesn't, here is one of the all time great bankruptcy jokes that she told at this conference way back in 1996, on a panel with Steve Cooper at which they were entertaining the possibility of acquiring control of a company by buying its distressed debt:

This man goes to see his rabbi. He's distraught and disheveled and says, "Rabbi, Rabbi, can you help me?" The rabbi looks at the man and says, "Well, I'll try. What is it?" The man says, "Rabbi, I'm down on my last dollar. My business is in trouble. My family is hungry. What am I to do?" The rabbi says, "Maybe you should consult with an accountant or an attorney, but a rabbi?"

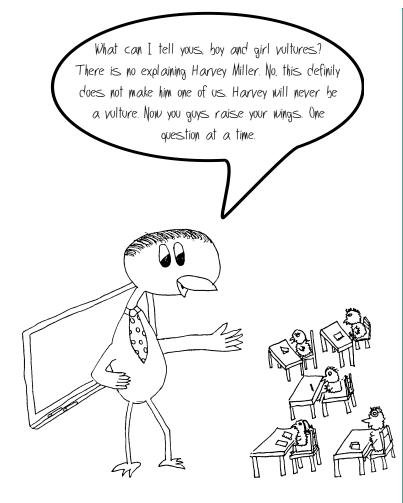
"Please, Rabbi, give me some advice. What must I do?" The rabbi says, "Well, maybe you should try this. Whenever I am feeling frustrated, I take down the Bible, close my eyes, open the book, put my finger on a page at random and start reading there. Try it. You might be surprised what insight and wisdom you receive."

A few months later the man goes back to see the rabbi. He's in a big new limousine. He is wearing a new suit. He is delighted to give the rabbi a large contribution. The rabbi says, "Tell me what happened. The last time I saw you, you were distraught." The man says, "I did exactly what you said. I went home. I kissed my wife and told her everything was just right. Then I took down the Bible as you said, closed my eyes, and touched a page and did what it said." The rabbi is eager, "What did it say?" "It said Chapter 11".

Cordially,

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David M. Henderson President, Renaissance American Management, Inc.



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