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Offit Kurman Continues Growth of New Dallas/Ft. Worth Office with Four New Attorneys

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Offit Kurman is excited to announce the opening of its first Dallas/Ft. Worth office, marking the firm's 20th office effective October 1, 2025. Through an affiliation with the renowned bankruptcy law firm Ross & Smith PC, Maryland-based Offit Kurman adds four more attorneys to its roster further expanding the firm's national reach.

The Ross & Smith team brings significant experience in bankruptcy, corporate reorganization, business litigation, and related areas, strengthening the firm's ability to serve clients in Texas as well as the firm's 19 other offices located throughout the United States.

"Dallas/Ft. Worth continues to be one of the most dynamic legal markets in the country," said Offit Kurman President Tim Lynch. "The addition of this talented group enhances our capabilities in bankruptcy and business litigation while further establishing our presence in Texas. Their skills, reputation, and commitment to client service align perfectly with Offit Kurman's mission of delivering thoughtful, entrepreneurial legal solutions."

The new attorneys and paralegal include:

- Frances Smith, Principal – With extensive experience in bankruptcy and out-of-court restructuring, Frances has represented businesses in a wide variety of matters throughout the United States. She is known for her ability to guide parties toward resolution in challenging disputes.
- Judith Ross, Affiliated Counsel – Recognized for her substantial skills in corporate reorganization and bankruptcy, Judith has advised clients across a wide range of industries in national and international bankruptcy cases. She is particularly adept at fostering consensus in complex disputes.
- Jonathan Gitlin, Principal – Licensed in Texas since 2009, Jonathan offers a pragmatic approach to achieving favorable results for clients. His practice spans complex business litigation, bankruptcy, real estate, receivership, civil litigation, and appellate work in both

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- Honest Kapic, Associate – Representing clients in bankruptcy and corporate restructuring, real estate, construction, and commercial litigation, Honest combines trial experience with a business-minded approach. He delivers practical solutions that keep clients' broader goals at the center of every case.
- Michael Coulombe, Paralegal – A bankruptcy paralegal with over 15 years of experience, Michael has extensive experience with matters involving corporate restructuring, bankruptcy, insolvency matters, and mediation.

"Joining Offit Kurman provides us with the resources and platform to better serve clients while maintaining the personalized, hands-on approach that has always defined our practice," said Judith Ross, speaking on behalf of the group. "We are excited to be part of a firm that shares our values and vision."

The opening of the Dallas/Ft. Worth office marks the 20th office for Offit Kurman. In April 2025, the firm opened its 19th office in Atlanta, Georgia.