

Carl Marks Student Paper Competition Prize Recipients



2011 Competition

CASE STUDY

First place: “Restructuring Zales Corporation”

Author: Sudhanshu Jain- University of Texas at Dallas

Advisor: Prof. George Decourcy

2010 Competition

THEORETICAL/CONCEPTUAL

First place: “The Death of Emergence”

Authors: Aditya Habbu and Nikhil Abraham- University of Chicago

Advisor: Douglas Baird

Second place: “Patent Activity in Bankrupt Technology Firms: An Empirical and Case Based Study”

Author: Grant Moss- Emory University

CASE STUDY

First place: “Restructuring Crocs, Inc”

Authors: Ronald Schulhof, Molly Bennard, Julie Thaler, Kevin Sayles, John Wolff - Columbia Business School:

Advisor: Prof. Laura B. Resnikoff

Second place:-“Media General’s Restructuring: An Investor’s Perspective”

Authors: Brian Hindo, Nate McMurry, Ryan Orton, Sumit Suman, Sonal Kapoor -Columbia Business School

Advisor: Prof. Laura B. Resnikoff

2009 Competition

THEORETICAL/CONCEPTUAL

First Place: “Restructuring Pilgrim’s Pride”

Authors: David Epstein, Steven Ostroff, Michael Sand, Satish Selvanathan and David Twerdun – Columbia Business School

Advisor: Prof. Laura B. Resnikoff

CASE STUDY

First Place: “Salem Communications Corporation Restructuring Plan”

Authors: Rodney Behm, Andy Bruno, Tom Nye and Kevin Urbani – University of Wisconsin Madison Graduate School of Business

Advisor: Dr. James K. Seward

2008 Competition

THEORETICAL/CONCEPTUAL

First Place: “Bankruptcy’s Section 1113 - Rejection of a Collective Bargaining Agreement: The Court’s Diminution of Labor’s Prerogative and Legal and Economic Arguments for its Reassertion”

Author: Andrew Carlson – New York University Stern School of Business

CASE STUDY

First Place: “Circuit City: An LBO Candidate”

Authors: Aaron Baker, Lauren Cassidy, Josh Goodman, Josh Siegel and Erik Ulin – Columbia Business School

Advisor: Prof. Laura B. Resnikoff

CASE STUDY

Second Place: “The City Revival Plan: Circuit City Analysis and Restructuring”

Authors: Chester Han, Andrew Huml, Anand Kagalkar, Lena Saito and Kristy Sundjaja

Advisor: Prof. Laura B. Resnikoff

2007 Competition

THEORETICAL/CONCEPTUAL

First Place: “The Bankruptcy Implications of Second Lien Loans”

Author: Gordon L. Su – University of Pennsylvania Wharton School of Business

Advisor: Prof. David Arthur Skeel

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Prize Recipients

2007 Competition

CASE STUDY CATEGORY

First Place: “Pier 1: Company Analysis and Restructuring”

Authors: Hamid Benbrahim, Rich Bozutto, Laurent Grossi, Geoff Teillon, John Ure – Columbia Business School

Advisor: Prof. Laura B. Resnikoff

CASE STUDY CATEGORY

Second Place: “Turnaround Analysis of Trump Entertainment Resorts, Inc.”

Authors: Christian Blinkenberg, Sachin Kadakia, Michael Yao, Paul Zangrilli – Columbia Business School

Advisor: Prof. Laura B. Resnikoff

CASE STUDY CATEGORY

Honorable Mention: “The Telecommunications Industry Case Studies”

Authors: Evan Glucoft, Girish Satya, Andy Yang – The University of Chicago Graduate School of Business

2006 Competition

GENERAL CATEGORY

First Place: “The Role of the Institutional Environment in Corporate Failure and Restructuring”

Author: Bryan Lewin – London Business School

Advisor: Dr. Paolo Volpin

CASE STUDY CATEGORY

First Place: “Albertson’s Turnaround”

Authors: Ben Farris, Hayoung Lee, John Maitrejean, Jason Schauer, and Neil Seyffert – Northwestern University Kellogg School of Management

Advisor: Dr. James B. Shein

Second Place: “RadioShack”

Authors: Matthieu Cocq, Patrick de Loe, Franck Legoux, Genki Oka, Alexander Zorn – Columbia Business School

Advisor: Prof. Laura B. Resnikoff

CASE STUDY CATEGORY

Honorable Mention: “Penfield Electronic: A Turnaround Analysis of a Small Company”

Authors: Amanda Brimmer, Ryan Clark, Elizabeth Stevens, Justin Twitchell, Emily Wang, David Wittowsky – Northwestern University Kellogg School of Management

Advisor: Dr. James B. Shein

2005 Competition

First Place: “Characteristics of Successful Chapter 11 Reorganizations”

Authors: Naftali Goltzaker and Philippe Hespel – University of Chicago Graduate School of Business

Second Place: “Six Flags”

Authors: Jamie Baird, Stefan Lehmann, T. Charlie Quinn and Keith Zadourian—Columbia Business School

Advisor: Professor Laura B. Resnikoff

2004 Competition

First Place: “The European Distressed and Defaulted Debt Market”

Authors: John Burke and Itay Singer – New York University Stern School of Business

Advisor: Dr. Edward I. Altman, Professor of Finance

Second Place: “Marvel Comics Turnaround”

Authors: Karl Bracken, Nathan Chandrasekaran, Justin Kessler, Hitoshi Mitani, Urupa Nontasut, David Youn – Northwestern University Kellogg School of Management

Advisor: Dr. James B. Shein, Adjunct Professor of Management & Strategy

Third Place: “RRR Home Improvement: Providing Shelter for Strong Growth”

Authors: Doug Cornett, David Kramer, Scott Mackey – Elon University Martha and Spencer Love School of Business

Advisor: Kevin O’Mara, Associate Professor

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2003 Competition

First Place: "A New Corporate Distress Prediction Model"

Authors: Murat Abay, David Lewis, Hande Morkoc – New York University Stern School of Business

Advisor: Dr. Edward I. Altman, Professor of Finance

Second Place: "Putting the Pop Back in Cott: The Decline and Turnaround of Cott Corporation"

Authors: Rob Maeder, David Nunez, Naimish Patel, Vlad Shlafman, Jeff Vergamini – Northwestern University Kellogg School of Management

Advisor: Dr. James B. Shein, Adjunct Professor of Management & Strategy

Third Place (tie): "Proposed Turnaround of Aurora Foods Inc"

Authors: Soyong Cho, John Maroney, Joana Rocha, Ricardo Scaff, Vivian Xue – Columbia Business School

Advisor: Laura B. Resnikoff, Associate Professor

Third Place (tie): "Campbell-Hardage: A Turnaround Analysis"

Authors: Jason Bidgood, Chris Comstock, John-Mark Church, John Dinsmore, Jackson Howard – University of Georgia Terry College of Business

Advisor: Prof. Charles W. Hofer, Professor of Strategic Management and Entrepreneurship