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Leila Cetrone works with clients of Choate's Finance & Restructuring Group. She handles complex financial transactions for banks and institutional investors, borrowers, and issuers in a full range of complex financial transactions, including asset-based, cash flow and other secured and unsecured credit facilities to companies in a variety of industries, including retail, technology, sports and healthcare.

Representative Engagements

- Avante Capital Partners as Lead Purchaser and Purchaser in a senior secured financing and equity investment to support the acquisition of a company that operates a platform enabling borrowers to collectively negotiate lower interest rates on their student loans.
- Administrative Agent in a senior secured credit facility to a stadium financing affiliate of an NFL franchise.
- Second Avenue Capital Partners, as originator, in a $700M warehouse credit facility with Huntington National Bank, and a separate term credit facility with Pathlight Capital.
- Bank of America, as agent, for syndicate of banks in connection with the renewal and amendment of a "league-wide facility" consisting of revolving credit and term loan credit facilities established by the Office of the Commissioner of Major League Baseball for participating Major League Baseball Clubs.
- Bank of America, as agent, for syndicate of banks in connection with the renewal and amendment of an "infrastructure facility" consisting of revolving credit and term loan credit facilities established by the Office of the Commissioner of Major League Baseball for participating Major League Baseball Clubs.
- Agent, for a syndicate of lenders, in connection with a $1.5 billion unsecured senior credit facility to a public university.
- Second Avenue Capital Partners in $112 million Senior Secured Revolving Credit Facility and Term Loan to Backcountry, a specialty retailer of outdoor gear and apparel.
- Citizens Bank, N.A., as agent, in connection with an $85 million senior secured asset-based revolving credit facility to Thryv, Inc., a publicly traded software as a service company and operator of Yellow Pages, and certain of its domestic and Australian subsidiaries.
- Citizens Bank, N.A., as agent, in connection with a $150 million senior secured loan to Steven Madden, Ltd.
- Wells Fargo, N.A., as agent, in connection with a widely syndicated $1.5 billion senior secured loan to Kohl's Corporation and its subsidiaries.
- The Carlyle Group in second lien term loan to Le Tote in connection with its purchase of Lord & Taylor from Hudson's Bay Company.

Focus Areas

Finance and Restructuring

- Acquisitions / Sponsor Financing
- Asset-Based Lending
- Junior Capital & Capital Markets
- Restructuring and Bankruptcy
- Sports and Stadium Financing

- Tiger Capital Group , as lender, in connection with a $80 million senior secured loan to Casper Sleep, Inc.
- PNC Capital Markets in connection with a senior secured, revolving loan to CarGurus, Inc.
- PNC Bank, N.A., as agent, in connection with a $900 million senior secured loan to Big Lots, Inc.
- Callodine Commercial Finance, LLC, as agent, in connection with a $30 million second lien loan to Ste. Michelle Wine Estates LLC.
- Citizens Bank, N.A., as agent, in connection with a senior secured loan to Luxury Brand Holdings, Inc.
- Pathlight Capital, as agent, in connection with a senior secured loan to Rubicon Global, LLC.

Professional & Community Involvement

- Member, Massachusetts Bar Association
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Education & Credentials

- Boston College Law School, JD (2018) *cum laude;* Senior Editor, *Boston College Law Review*
- College of the Holy Cross, BA (2015) *cum laude*

Admissions

- Massachusetts