

Los Angeles Business Journal Honors Sandra Lee Montgomery and Bharat Moudgil as 2026 'Leaders of Influence: Banking & Finance'

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LOS ANGELES, August 17, 2026 - Proskauer partners [Sandra Lee Montgomery](#) and [Bharat Moudgil](#) have been recognized by the *Los Angeles Business Journal* as 2026 "Leaders of Influence: Banking & Finance" – a distinction honoring top professionals who are driving innovation and excellence in the financial sector.

Sandra serves as co-chair of Proskauer's Corporate Department and is a partner in the Private Credit & Leveraged Finance Group. A preeminent figure in the private capital and finance landscape, she is the go-to advisor for institutional investors, direct lenders, private debt funds, and investment banks navigating complex, high-stakes transactions. With nearly three decades at the forefront of sophisticated financing, Sandra has shaped deals that have defined today's financial markets.

Bharat, a partner in Proskauer's Private Credit & Leveraged Finance Group, represents lenders across the full spectrum of financing structures – from traditional senior secured facilities to sophisticated hybrid capital arrangements. His clients include private debt funds, BDCs, banks, and institutional investors spanning multiple industries. Over the past year, Bharat has led a string of marquee transactions, including large-cap financings for public companies and highly structured middle-market deals that underscore his versatility and market-leading capabilities.

Read Sandra's profile: [Leaders of Influence: Banking & Financing 2026 - Sandra Lee Montgomery](#)

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Proskauer's Private Credit & Leveraged Finance Group is made up of more than 120 cross-disciplinary finance and restructuring lawyers dedicated exclusively to representing lenders across the private credit, syndicated leveraged finance, and high-yield markets. We advise credit funds, business development companies, banks, and other institutional lenders on "clubbed" and syndicated credits, preferred equity, special situations, and alternative investments. In 2025 alone, we closed more than 450 deals with an aggregate value exceeding \$123 billion.

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