

Faculty Biographies

Mary F. Andreoni is ethics education counsel for the Illinois Attorney Registration and Disciplinary Commission (ARDC) in Chicago, where she develops and implements the ARDC's ethics education initiatives, including the ARDC Ethics Inquiry Program and the Illinois Professional Responsibility Institute, for which she is also an instructor. She has authored many articles, including the ARDC publications *Client Trust Account Handbook* (Rev. May 2015), *The Basic Steps to Ethically Closing a Law Practice* (Oct. 2012) and *Leaving a Law Firm: A Guide to the Ethical Obligations in Law Firm Departure* (Oct. 2012), and she has spoken at hundreds of programs on legal ethics. Prior to joining the Commission, Ms. Andreoni was a law clerk to Illinois Appellate Court Justice Mel R. Jiganti and later practiced commercial litigation with the law firm of Peterson & Ross in Chicago. While in practice, she also served as a board member on the ARDC Inquiry and Hearing Boards. Active in the Chicago Bar Association (CBA), Ms. Andreoni has served on a number of committees and is past chair of the CBA Professional Responsibility Committee (2014-15). She received her J.D. from Loyola University School of Law in Chicago.

Amy A. Aronson is a partner and owner of the firm Aronson & Walsh, P.C. in Vernon Hills, Ill., where she specializes in creditors' rights in consumer bankruptcy cases. After graduation from law school until mid-1996, she represented hundreds of individuals who required bankruptcy relief. After 1996, she began representing creditors. In December 1998, Ms. Aronson co-opened the firm of Aronson & Walsh, P.C., and she simultaneously became associated with the law firm of McCalla Raymer Pierce, LLC in Chicago, where she still maintains a position. Over the last several years, she has spoken with the Illinois Continuing Legal Education, the American Bar Association and the Chicago Bar Association. Ms. Aronson received her Bachelor's degree in 1987 in government/political science from Lawrence University and her J.D. in 1991 from Drake University, during which time she interned in Baltimore for District Court Judge Howard and assisted in the review of several bankruptcy court appeals.

Nathan E. Curtis is a supervising attorney at Geraci Law L.L.C. in Chicago and has filed or reviewed more than 10,000 consumer bankruptcy cases. His duties include detailed review of complicated chapter 7 and 13 matters, including litigation and appeals. Mr. Curtis is a member of the Illinois State Bar Association and ABI. After serving a two-year term as a member of the Northern District of Illinois Bankruptcy Court Liaison Committee, he served a four-year term on the Executive Committee for the Chicago Bar Association's Bankruptcy and Reorganization Committee, including as chair in his final year. Mr. Curtis is a member of the advisory board for the ABI's Hon. Eugene R. Wedoff Chicago Consumer Bankruptcy Conference. He has also spoken at the Chicago Bar Association's monthly meetings, as well as at its annual Consumer Seminar. Mr. Curtis received his undergraduate degree from the University of Illinois and his J.D. from the John Marshall Law School.

Nathan E. Delman is an attorney with The Semrad Law Firm in Chicago, where he represents consumer debtors in chapter 7 and 13 bankruptcies. He is a past chair of the Northern District of Illinois Bankruptcy Court Liaison Committee. Mr. Delman received his bachelor's degree from the University of Wisconsin at Madison and his J.D. from the Illinois Institute of Technology Chicago-Kent College of Law.

Deborah K. Ebner is the principal of The Law Office of Deborah Kanner Ebner in Chicago. She is experienced with the representation of debtors-in-possession and creditor committees in chapter 11 cases in a multitude of business environments, and is proficient in chapters 7, 11, 12 and 13. Ms. Eb-

ner is AV-rated by Martindale-Hubbell and has served as a federal bankruptcy trustee since 1983. She is admitted to the Illinois Bar and has served as faculty for ABI, the Chicago Chapter of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers and for numerous bar associations, including the Illinois, Chicago and Will County Bar Associations, and she is the author of Chapter 22 of the 2003 *IICLE Residential Real Estate Publication*, “Residential Real Estate in Bankruptcy,” and she co-authored its 2008 update and completed its 2011 edition. Ms. Ebner has participated in a multitude of legislative activity, including the provision of technical comment to the House Judiciary Committee concerning proposed changes to the Bankruptcy Code, and the development of comment for the Advisory Committee on Bankruptcy Rules and the Committee on Rules of Procedure and Practice of the Judicial Conference of the United States. She also recently created an Of Counsel affiliation with FactorLaw in Chicago. Ms. Ebner received her J.D. from Samford University Cumberland School of Law in 1981.

Hon. Catherine J. Furay is Chief Bankruptcy Judge for the Western District of Wisconsin in Eau Claire. Prior to her appointment, she practiced bankruptcy, commercial law and business litigation in Madison, Wis. Judge Furay has served on various Wisconsin State Bar committees, including its executive committee. She has also served on ABI, ABA and CLLA committees. Judge Furay serves on the Board of Governors and is a member of the Finance Committee of the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges. She co-authored *Wisconsin Business Advisors Series: Collections & Bankruptcy Vol. 4* (Pinnacle Books) and the *Wisconsin Civil Litigation Forms Manual* (Pinnacle Books). She is also the author of several articles on various bankruptcy, collection, marital property, and litigation topics. Judge Furay is a frequent author and lecturer on bankruptcy, commercial law, ethics, marital property and litigation skills and an adjunct faculty member of the University of Wisconsin Law School, where she teaches lawyering skills and has served as an instructor for its general practice course. She received her J.D. from the University of Wisconsin-Madison Law School.

Hon. Laura K. Grandy is Chief Judge of the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Illinois in East St. Louis, appointed in 2010. Previously, she was a principal with the law firm of Mathis, Marifian, Richter & Grandy, where she concentrated her practice in corporate reorganizations, bankruptcy and banking. She also served as a chapter 7 panel trustee for 18 years. While in private practice, she successfully argued a case before the U.S. Supreme Court. Judge Grandy regularly speaks about bankruptcy-related issues and chairs the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges’s Marketing Committee; she is also a former chair of its Public Outreach Committee. She is a member of the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges, the Illinois State Bar Association, the Missouri Bar, the St. Clair County Bar Association, the Bankruptcy Association of Southern Illinois and the National Association of Bankruptcy Trustees. Judge Grandy received her B.A. from Eastern Illinois University and her J.D. from St. Louis University.

Hon. G. Michael Halfenger is a U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the Eastern District of Wisconsin in Milwaukee, appointed on Jan. 11, 2013. Previously, he was a partner with Foley & Lardner LLP, practicing commercial litigation out of its Milwaukee office. Judge Halfenger received his B.A. *summa cum laude* from Lawrence University and his J.D. with honors from the University of Chicago Law School. Following law school, he clerked for Hon. Frank H. Easterbrook of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit.

J. David Krekeler is the founder and principal shareholder of Krekeler Strother, S.C. in Madison, Wis., and devotes his practice to debtor/creditor, bankruptcy and consumer rights matters, including the representation of debtors, creditors and even bankruptcy trustees in cases under chapters 7, 11, 12 and 13. He has authored numerous materials and teaches several seminars a year about bankruptcy and consumer rights. Mr. Krekeler serves on the Consumer Protection Advisory Council for the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection and is a member of the board of the Bankruptcy Insolvency Creditor Rights section of the Wisconsin State Bar. He has been board certified in bankruptcy law for more than 22 years. Mr. Krekeler received his B.S.B.A. from the University of Missouri - St. Louis in 1974 and his J.D. in 1979 from the University of Wisconsin Law School.

David P. Leibowitz is the founder and managing member of Lakelaw, with offices Chicago and Waukegan, Ill., where he represents people and businesses in bankruptcy and foreclosure defense. He is also general counsel of Upright Law, a national consumer bankruptcy firm headquartered in Chicago. Mr. Leibowitz is admitted to practice in Illinois, Wisconsin and Arizona, and has practiced in bankruptcy courts throughout the country. Mr. Leibowitz is a member of ABI's Board of Directors and co-chairs an ABI task force studying individual chapter 11 cases. He previously co-chaired ABI's Consumer Bankruptcy and Commercial Fraud Committees. Mr. Leibowitz is also co-author and editor-in-chief of the *ABI Fraud Handbook* and is a contributing author to Bloomberg Law's *Bankruptcy Treatise*. Mr. Leibowitz is Board Certified in both Consumer Bankruptcy Law and Business Bankruptcy Law by the American Board of Certification. He has been a panel chapter 7 trustee for 25 years and has served as a member of the board of directors of the National Association of Bankruptcy Trustees and as an editor of *NABTalk*. In 2010, Mr. Leibowitz received the Liberty Bell Award from the Judges of the 19th Judicial Circuit, Lake County, Ill., for "Outstanding Commitment and Service" for his work in organizing that court's mortgage foreclosure help desk and producing mortgage foreclosure information videos. In 2006, he received the Excellence in Pro Bono Service Award from the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois and the Chicago Chapter of the Federal Bar Association. Mr. Leibowitz received his B.A. in economics from Northwestern University and his J.D. *cum laude* from Loyola University of Chicago School of Law, where he was note editor of its law review.

Cherie K. Macdonald is an officer at the law firm of Greensfelder, Hemker & Gale, P.C. in Belleville, Ill., where she leads its Creditors' Rights & Bankruptcy practice group. She counsels financial institutions, commercial landlords, franchisors, receivers, contractors and suppliers in exercising their rights and remedies. She has handled national and local bankruptcy cases for creditors and landlords including national electronics retailers, an airline, a bookstore chain, a sports retailer, manufacturers and others. Ms. Macdonald handles the prosecution of creditors' rights and remedies as well as the defense of creditors' priority and collateral in bankruptcy cases — litigating issues in proposed reorganization plans, disclosure statements and 363 sales; litigating cash collateral objections, claim objections and preferences; and bringing actions seeking denial of dischargeability or denial of discharge. She seeks redress for her clients using state law remedies — including stopping goods in transit, reclaiming goods, foreclosing mortgages and liens, replevying collateral and attaching goods prior to judgment — and litigating issues relating to contract breaches, fraudulent transfers, disputes regarding commercial paper, and the law of bank deposits and collections. Ms. Macdonald is a member of ABI and the Bankruptcy Association of Southern Illinois. She received her M.B.A. from Western Illinois University and her J.D. from St. Louis University School of Law.

Berton J. Maley is a vice president and managing attorney at Codilis & Associates, P.C. in Burr Ridge, Ill., where he concentrates in secured creditors' rights in bankruptcy, mortgage foreclosure and related matters. He manages the firm's bankruptcy department and oversees the firm's audit and compliance functions. Mr. Maley is co-chair of ABI's Eugene R. Wedoff Seventh Circuit Consumer Bankruptcy Conference Advisory Board, and he is a past chair of the Bankruptcy Law and Practice Committee of the DuPage County Bar Association and of the Bankruptcy and Reorganization Committee of the Chicago Bar Association. Additionally, he is a member of the Bankruptcy Association of Southern Illinois, the Illinois State Bar Association, ABI, the National Association of Chapter 13 Trustees (associate member) and Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity, International (International board member - marshal). He has previously served as a member of the Bench Bar Liaison Committee for the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Illinois and of the Model Plan Committees for the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Illinois and the Springfield Division of the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Central District of Illinois. Mr. Maley is an author and regular lecturer on bankruptcy, mortgage foreclosure and related topics and has spoken for such groups as ABI, the Bankruptcy Association of Southern Illinois, the Illinois Institute of Continuing Education, the DuPage County Bar Association, the Chicago Bar Association, Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity, REOMAC (mortgage industry trade association) and the Illinois Housing Development Authority. He is admitted to practice in Illinois, the U.S. Supreme Court, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit, and the U.S. District Courts for the Northern, Central and Southern Districts of Illinois, the Northern and Southern Districts of Indiana, and the Eastern District of Wisconsin. Mr. Maley received his B.A. in 1990 from Loyola University of Chicago College of Arts and Sciences and his J.D. from Loyola University School of Law in 1992.

Hon. Margaret Dee McGarity is a retired U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the Eastern District of Wisconsin in Milwaukee, appointed in 1987, reappointed in 2001 and retired in 2016. She served as Chief Judge from 2003-10. Prior to her appointment, she was in private practice, concentrating primarily in the areas of bankruptcy, family law and marital property, and she served on the panel of chapter 7 trustees. Judge McGarity is a frequent lecturer on various marital property and bankruptcy-related topics, especially on the interrelationships between family law and the Bankruptcy Code, having participated in seminars sponsored by the Federal Judicial Center, National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges, National Association of Bankruptcy Trustees, National Association of Chapter 13 Trustees, ABI, State Bar of Wisconsin, Supreme Court of Wisconsin (Judicial Education Division), National Child Support Enforcement Association, National Judicial College, National Association of Consumer Bankruptcy Attorneys, National Association of Juvenile and Family Court Judges, and various bar associations, among others. She is a co-author of *Marital Property Law in Wisconsin*, published by the State Bar of Wisconsin; a co-author of *Collier Family Law and the Bankruptcy Code*, published by Matthew Bender/LexisNexis; and a contributing author of *Collier on Bankruptcy*, also published by Matthew Bender/LexisNexis. She has also authored numerous articles dealing with the practical aspects of bankruptcy practice. Judge McGarity is a Fellow of the American College of Bankruptcy and a member of the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges, ABI, the National Association of Women Judges and the Thomas E. Fairchild Inn, AIC. She received her undergraduate degree Phi Beta Kappa from Emory University and her J.D. in 1974 from the University of Wisconsin Law School.

Debra L. Miller is the appointed standing chapter 13 bankruptcy trustee for the Northern District of Indiana in the Fort Wayne and South Bend Divisions. She is active in the National Association of

Chapter Thirteen Trustees, and is a former president of the NACTT and chair of the NACTT's Mortgage Committee. Ms. Miller testified before the Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts of the Committee on the Judiciary, U.S. Senate, on May 6, 2008, on the subject of "Policing Lenders and Protecting Home-Owners: Is Misconduct in Bankruptcy Fueling the Foreclosure Crisis?" Prior to her appointment in 2000, she served as the staff attorney for Gary D. Boyn, chapter 7 panel trustee at Warrick and Boyn LLP in Elkhart, Ind., and as a law clerk for Hon. Sanford Brook. She also served as a special agent for the U.S. Secret Service in the Cleveland Field Office, where she specialized in credit card and white collar fraud. Ms. Miller received her B.S. in political science from Baldwin Wallace College and her J.D. from Cleveland Marshall College of Law.

Gary A. Norton is a member attorney in the firm of Whitfield and Eddy, P.L.C. in Des Moines, Iowa, and has chaired the firm's Business and Banking Committee. He has been a member of the Iowa bar since 1984, practicing extensively in the areas of bankruptcy and creditor/debtor relations, commercial law and commercial litigation. Mr. Norton is a frequent speaker before attorney and business groups on various topics involving commercial and bankruptcy law and has served as an adjunct professor at Drake Law School, teaching secured transactions. He has served several times as a member and past chair of the Commercial and Bankruptcy Law Section Council of the Iowa State Bar Association, most recently in 2014. He also chaired that Section's Study Committee on the 1998 Revised Article 9 of the Uniform Commercial Code, and was heavily involved in implementing the passage of Revised UCC Article 9 in Iowa. He continues to be a consultant to the Iowa legislature on legislation and other matters related to commercial law. Mr. Norton is a member of the ABA Section on Business Law, has been an ABI member since 1986 and is currently a member of the advisory board for ABI's Midwestern Bankruptcy Institute. He is also is a former law clerk to Hon. Richard Stageman, U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the Southern District of Iowa from 1984-85. Mr. Norton received his B.S. with honors in 1975 from Iowa State University and his J.D. with honors in 1984 from Washburn University School of Law, where he was a member of the *Washburn Law Journal*.

Alan R. Olson is a principal of Altman Weil, Inc. in Milwaukee and has advised law firms on strategic planning, practice management and compensation systems for more than 25 years. His experience also encompasses projects involving law firm mergers, professional services marketing, organization effectiveness and implementation strategies. He is a thought-leader in the emerging discipline of succession planning for law firms, including leadership and management transitions, practice transitions, compensation systems and key client-retention strategies. Prior to joining Altman Weil, Mr. Olson was a practicing lawyer and held executive positions for two prominent corporations. As a national manager and corporate vice president, he was responsible for divisions and products that spanned at least 12 different industries. Mr. Olson is a frequent lecturer at national and regional programs for major legal organizations and facilitates numerous law firm retreats each year. He is also a widely published author on issues of law firm management. Mr. Olson is an active member of the American Bar Association, including past-chair of the ABA Law Practice Management Section's Curriculum and Training Committee, and is a member of the Wisconsin Bar and Beta Gamma Sigma. He received his undergraduate degree with distinction from the University of Wisconsin in Madison, his J.D. from the University of Wisconsin Law School and his M.B.A. with honors from the University of Wisconsin in Milwaukee.

Hon. Thomas L. Perkins is a U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the Central District of Illinois in Peoria, appointed on July 20, 2000. He served as Chief Bankruptcy Judge for the Central District of Illinois from 2006-12. Previously, Judge Perkins practiced law in Peoria for 16 years with three different law firms, specializing in the areas of bankruptcy and commercial law. He is a graduate of the University of Iowa and received his J.D. from Indiana University School of Law.

Ronald R. Peterson is a partner with Jenner & Block LLP in Chicago, where he concentrates his practice in the areas of commercial, insolvency and bankruptcy law. He is a member of the firm's Bankruptcy, Workout and Corporate Reorganization and Bankruptcy Litigation Practices. He is also a member of its Real Estate and Construction Litigation and Corporate Finance Practices and its Real Estate Finance Litigation and Workout Task Force. A Fellow in the American College of Bankruptcy, Mr. Peterson focuses primarily on representing debtors, trustees, creditors, committees, landlords and secured lenders in chapter 11 cases. He also counsels clients on a variety of transactional issues, including corporate restructurings. Since 2003, *Chambers & Partners* has named him one of the country's leading lawyers in bankruptcy law, and he is AV-rated by Martindale-Hubbell. Mr. Peterson has been a member of the panel of chapter 7 trustees for the Northern District of Illinois's Eastern Division since 1987 and has presided over numerous complex commercial cases, including *Stotler & Co.*, the country's tenth-largest commodities house, and *Lancelot Investment*, a \$1.7 billion Ponzi scheme. He has also served as examiner in *Robert Lund*, a large real estate developer, and as chairman of the creditors' committee in *Thomas J. Petters*, a \$3.5 billion Ponzi scheme. Mr. Peterson is a member of ABI, as well as the Business Bankruptcy Committee of the Business Law Section and the Bankruptcy Litigation Committee of the Litigation Section of the American Bar Association. He is also a director of the National Association of Bankruptcy Trustees and a member of INSOL (International Association of Restructuring, Insolvency & Bankruptcy Professionals). Mr. Peterson is admitted to practice before the U.S. Courts of Appeals for the Third, Sixth, Seventh, Eighth and Ninth Circuits, and the U.S. District Courts for the Northern and Central Districts of Illinois, the Northern District of Indiana, the Eastern District of Wisconsin, and the Western District of Michigan. He received his A.B. *cum laude* in speech and political science from Ripon College in 1970 and his J.D. in 1973 from the University of Chicago Law School.

Mary Robinson is a principal in the Robinson Law Group, LLC in Chicago, where she provides representation, consultation and expert witness services in matters involving lawyer ethics and professional responsibility, including discipline defense. She began that practice in 2007 after serving for fifteen years as administrator of the Illinois Attorney Registration and Disciplinary Commission of the Supreme Court of Illinois (ARDC). For 18 years before joining the ARDC, she practiced as an appellate public defender and then in her own firm, primarily in appellate, criminal and family law. Ms. Robinson is a frequent speaker for national, state and local bar association programs on ethics and professional-responsibility issues. She has served as a member of the ABA Standing Committee on Ethics and Professional Responsibility and the ABA Standing Committee on Professional Discipline, and as chair of the Planning Committee for the ABA National Conference on Professional Responsibility. She also taught Professional Responsibility at Northwestern University Law School and Northern Illinois University School of Law and is licensed to practice in Illinois and California. Ms. Robinson received her J.D. from the University of Southern California.

Brian L. Shaw is a member of Shaw Fishman Glantz & Towbin LLC in Chicago and has more than 20 years of experience representing debtors, secured and unsecured creditors, creditor and equity committees, chapter 7 and 11 trustees, and plaintiffs and defendants in bankruptcy- and creditor rights-related litigation. He is ABI's Chairman and previously served as ABI's Vice President-Membership, as co-chair of ABI's Hon. Eugene R. Wedoff Seventh Circuit Consumer Bankruptcy Conference and inaugural Professional Development Program, and on the faculty of ABI's Litigation Skills Symposium. He is also a past chair of the Chicago Bar Association's Bankruptcy and Reorganization Committee and served a three-year term on the University of Illinois College of Law Recent Alumni Advisory Board. Mr. Shaw has authored and co-authored numerous articles for the *ABI Journal*, *Norton Bankruptcy Law Letter*, *The Bankruptcy Strategist*, *Business Credit* and *Credit Today*, as well as for the Illinois Institute of Continuing Legal Education. He is admitted to practice in Illinois, the U.S. District Courts for the Northern and Central Districts of Illinois, the Eastern District of Wisconsin, Western District of Michigan and Northern District of Indiana, the U.S. Courts of Appeals for the Third, Seventh and Eighth Circuits, and the U.S. Supreme Court. He is also admitted to the Federal Trial Bar for the Northern District of Illinois. Mr. Shaw is AV-rated by Martindale-Hubbell, is listed as an "Illinois Super Lawyer" in *Law & Politics* and has been selected as a "Leading Lawyer." He received his J.D. *magna cum laude* from the University of Illinois College of Law.

Craig E. Stevenson is an attorney at DeWitt Ross & Stevens S.C. in Madison, Wis., where he practices in the areas of creditors' rights, business bankruptcy and litigation. He represents debtors and creditors in all chapters of bankruptcy, foreclosures, receiverships, workouts, and state and federal litigation, and handles bankruptcy appeals before the district and circuit courts. In 2016, he briefed, argued and prevailed in an appeal of a bankruptcy matter before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit. As debtor's counsel, Mr. Stevenson has assisted many types of businesses, including dealerships, manufacturing companies, commercial and residential rental properties, restaurants, hotels and farms — as well as individuals — in chapters 11 and 12. He has also handled many complex cases for individuals under chapters 7 and 13, and represents secured and unsecured creditors in both bankruptcy and nonbankruptcy matters. Mr. Stevenson has presented at a number of seminars, including those hosted by the State Bar of Wisconsin, the National Business Institute and the Western District of Wisconsin Bankruptcy Bar. He received his B.B.A. *cum laude* from DePauw University and his J.D. from the University of Wisconsin Law School.

Hon. Deborah L. Thorne is a U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the Northern District of Illinois in Chicago, appointed on Oct. 22, 2015. She is a Fellow of the American College of Bankruptcy, a member of the Board of Governors for the Seventh Circuit Bar Association and ABI's Vice President-Communication and Information Technology. Previously, Judge Thorne was a partner with Barnes & Thornburg LLP in Chicago. Her practice included the representation of creditors and other parties in insolvency proceedings, and she frequently served as a federal equity receiver in commodity fraud cases brought by the Commodity Futures Trading Commission. In addition, she served as co-chair of the Women's Initiative for the firm and as a federal equity receiver in cases involving commodity fraud in the Northern District of Illinois. Judge Thorne is a past chair of both the Chicago Bar Association's Bankruptcy Committee and the Seventh Circuit Bar Association's Bankruptcy Committee. She authored ABI's *Preference Defense Handbook*, *The Circuits Compared* and is one of the authors of ABI's *Interrupted! Understanding Bankruptcy's Effects on Manufacturing Supply Chains*. In addition, she has been included in *The Best Lawyers in America* in the area of bankruptcy and creditor-debtor rights law, was recognized as a *Leading Lawyer in Illinois* and has been recognized by *Illinois Super*

Lawyers every year since 2003. Judge Thorne received her B.A. from Macalester College, her M.A.T. from Duke University and her J.D. with honors from Illinois Institute of Technology Chicago-Kent College of Law.

Susan E. Trent is a partner with Rothberg, Logan & Warsco, LLP in Fort Wayne, Ind., where she focuses commercial and business workouts. She also counsels lenders, suppliers, trade creditors and creditors with regard to numerous workout and bankruptcy issues. Ms. Trent represents consumer mortgage lending companies and advises them concerning loss mitigation and other workout opportunities, including those in bankruptcy. She also assists clients with regard to compliance and other lending and financial institution regulatory and corporate governance matters. In addition, she provides general business, personal and commercial representation, estate and related planning services. Ms. Trent regularly presents on a variety of legal topics for CLE programming throughout Indiana. She also regularly publishes articles in a variety of national legal publications and serves as a coordinating editor for the *ABI Journal*. Ms. Trent was featured as a Fort Wayne “Top Lawyer” by *Fort Wayne Monthly* and is a Leadership Fort Wayne graduate. She is AV-rated by Martindale-Hubbell and selected for inclusion in *Super Lawyers*. Ms. Trent received her undergraduate degree *summa cum laude* from Indiana University at Bloomington and her J.D. from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, and is a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

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Hon. Eugene R. Wedoff served as a U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the Northern District of Illinois (in Chicago) from 1987-2015 and as chief judge from 2002-07. He presided over the chapter 11 reorganization of United Air Lines. Judge Wedoff was a member of the Advisory Committee on Bankruptcy Rules from 2004-14 and served as its chair after 2010. He was the president of the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges in 2013 and 2014 and also served as a member of the NCBJ's Board of Governors, as its secretary, and as chair of its education committee. Judge Wedoff is ABI's President-Elect and a Fellow of the American College of Bankruptcy, as well as a member of the National Bankruptcy Conference. He is the author of the chapter on professional employment in Queenan, Hendel and Hillinger, *Chapter 11 Theory and Practice* (LRP Publications 1994) and has been an associate editor of the *American Bankruptcy Law Journal*. Judge Wedoff is a frequent lecturer and has served as a member of the Federal Judicial Center's Committee on Bankruptcy Judge Education. In 2009, he received the Lawrence P. King Award from the Commercial Law League, and in 1995, he received the Excellence in Education Award from the NCBJ. Judge Wedoff graduated from the college and law school of the University of Chicago.

James T. Young is a partner with the Indianapolis law firm of Rubin & Levin, P.C., where he practices in the areas of creditors' rights, bankruptcy and commercial litigation. He previously clerked for Hon. John W. Montgomery, circuit court judge of St. Joseph County, Ind. Mr. Young was selected as an *Indiana Super Lawyer* for 2012-16 and has spoken before the Indianapolis Bar Association, the Allen County Bar Association, the Indiana Continuing Legal Education Forum, the National Association of Bankruptcy Trustees, the National Business Institute and the Institute for Paralegal Education on bankruptcy, landlord/tenant, real estate and trademark issues. In addition, he chaired the Bankruptcy and Creditors' Rights Section of the Allen County Bar Association from 2000-02. Mr. Young has served periodically as a guest lecturer at the Indiana University School of Informatics in Indianapolis. He is a member of the Indianapolis, Indiana State and American Bar Associations, as well as the State Bar of Michigan, and he is admitted to practice in Indiana, Michigan, Tennessee, the U.S. Courts of Appeals for the Sixth and the Seventh Circuits, and the U.S. Supreme Court. Mr. Young received his B.S., M.B.A. and J.D. from Indiana University at Bloomington.

Mark S. Zuckerberg is the founder of the Law Office of Mark S. Zuckerberg in Indianapolis and is one of only 12 Board-Certified Consumer Bankruptcy Specialists in Indiana. He has filed more than 30,000 bankruptcy cases in his 29-year career, and he has lectured for ABI, the National Association of Consumer Bankruptcy Attorneys, the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges Annual Conference and the Southeastern Bankruptcy Institute. He has been quoted on several occasions in the *New York Times*, *Indianapolis Star*, *The Indianapolis News* and several other news publications. He has also been interviewed by "NBC Evening News," *Business Week* and *People* magazine. Mr. Zuckerberg formerly served on the board of the American Board of Certification. He is a past chairman of the Bankruptcy and Creditors Rights Section of the Indiana State Bar Association, and was the only consumer bankruptcy attorney to debate Sen. Charles Grassley on the merits of bankruptcy reform on National Public Radio's "Morning Edition." Mr. Zuckerberg has been recognized by *Who's Who in American Law* and *The Best Lawyers in America Consumer Guide*. He was also selected as one of

Indiana's top 50 lawyers by *Law and Politics* as printed in *Indiana Monthly* magazine, and he helped draft Indiana's newly enacted Exemption Law. Mr. Zuckerberg was awarded Master Distinguished Fellow by the Indianapolis Bar Association. He received his B.A. from Indiana University and his J.D. from Capital University.