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Timothy J. Anzenberger is a partner with Adams and Reese LLP in Ridgeland, Miss., and is a commercial and bankruptcy litigator, pursuing the interests of financial institutions and other creditors in bankruptcy cases and litigating on their behalf in state and federal courts. He also is an experienced appellate litigator in financial-services cases, handling all stages of an appeal — from post-trial motions through oral argument. Mr. Anzenberger’s experience includes representing lenders in commercial restructuring and bankruptcy cases, defending preference actions, defending lender-liability claims, prosecuting objections to discharge, pursuing fraudulent transfers and defending creditors in adversary proceedings. He is an active ABI member and frequently writes for the *ABI Journal* and its committee newsletters. He also currently co-chairs ABI’s Ethics and Professional Compensation Committee and sits on the advisory board for the ABI’s Southeast Bankruptcy Workshop. As part of his appellate practice, Mr. Anzenberger is a member of the Pro Bono Appellate Programs for the U.S. Courts of Appeals for the Fifth and Ninth Circuits. Prior to entering private practice, he clerked for Presiding Justice Jess H. Dickinson of the Mississippi Supreme Court and served as a legal extern in the Staff Attorney’s Office of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit. Mr. Anzenberger received his B.A. in 2007 in political science from North Carolina State University and his J.D. *summa cum laude* in 2011 from Mississippi College School of Law, where he served as an executive editor of the *Mississippi College Law Review* and was active on the Moot Court Board, for which he was a National Champion and won Best Brief at the 2011 Andrews Kurth Moot Court National Championship. He also won Best Oral Advocate at the Ruby R. Vale Corporate Moot Court Competition and was a finalist at the Elliot Cup Bankruptcy Competition, and he received Best Paper Awards in Antitrust Law, Law and Economics, Criminal Law, Secured Transactions, Legal Writing and Capital Punishment Law.

Darren T. Azman is a restructuring partner in the New York office of McDermott Will & Emery and a member of the firm’s Management Committee. He was lead counsel to the unsecured creditors’ committee in the first U.S. crypto chapter 11 case, Cred Inc., and is currently leading the firm’s representation of the Cred Liquidation Trust in pursuing recoveries of lost and stolen cryptocurrency around the world. Mr. Azman’s clients also include private-equity sponsors, troubled companies, official creditors’ committees, financial and strategic purchasers of distressed assets, and other constituents in connection with in-court and out-of-court restructurings. In addition, he has restructuring experience in the fields of energy, manufacturing, health care, technology, maritime and transportation and cross-border restructurings, including insolvency proceedings in Brazil, Germany, Japan and Korea. Mr. Azman acts as a trusted advisor to emerging companies by helping them navigate a wide range of business and legal issues, including capital-formation, licensing, developing and leveraging intellectual property, strategic alliances, regulatory compliance, employee and labor matters, litigation and general corporate matters. During law school, he took a leave of absence to start a health care technology company in New York, which still exists today. His clients include emerging companies in the technology, health care, energy, blockchain, cryptocurrency, telecommunications and media space. Mr. Azman was honored as a member of ABI’s 2021 class of “40 Under 40” and has been recognized in *The American Lawyer* as Litigator of the Week Runner-Up (February 2021), *The Best Lawyers in America* as one of the “Ones to Watch” for Bankruptcy and Debtor Credit Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law for 2021, and *Turnarounds & Workouts* as a 2021 Outstanding Young Restructuring Lawyer. He also was part of the team that won the ABI Asset Sales Committee’s Asset Sale of the Year for his work as lead debtor’s counsel in *In re Agera Energy*. Mr. Azman received his B.S. *magna cum laude* from Bentley University and his J.D. *cum laude* from Georgetown University Law Center.

Hon. Janet S. Baer is a U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the Northern District of Illinois in Chicago, appointed on March 5, 2012. She also acts on a regular basis as the presiding judge in the Northern District of Illinois for naturalization ceremonies. Previously, Judge Baer was a restructuring lawyer for more than 25 years and was involved in some of the most significant chapter 11 bankruptcy cases in the country. The majority of her practice focused on the representation of large, publicly held debtors in both restructuring and chapter 11 matters, and she also represented companies in commercial litigation matters, including lender liability, fraud, breach of contract and breach of fiduciary duty. Prior to forming her own firm in 2009, Judge Baer was a partner at Kirkland & Ellis LLP, Winston & Strawn and Schwartz, Cooper, Greenberger & Krauss. She is a member of the ABI Board of Directors, the CARE National and Chicago Advisory Boards, and the Chicago IWIRC Network Board, as well as several committees. She also is chair of the NCBJ 2023 Education Committee and a frequent speaker for ABI, TMA, the Chicago Bar Association, IWIRC and NCBJ, and she regularly acts as the presiding judge for the Northern District of Illinois in naturalization ceremonies. Judge Baer earned her B.A. from the University of Wisconsin - Madison and her J.D. from DePaul College of Law.

January M. Bailey is a shareholder at Prella Eron & Bailey in Wichita, Kan., where she focuses primarily on bankruptcy matters. She obtained her first job after law school by talking about the movie *Office Space* and the red stapler that her future boss had on his desk; the job involved bankruptcy practice, and since that time, she has been actively involved in the local and state bankruptcy communities. Ms. Bailey currently serves on the District of Kansas Bankruptcy Bench Bar Committee and as chair for the local (Wichita) bankruptcy practice committee, both of which she has done for the last several years. She was named a “Rising Star” in bankruptcy by *Super Lawyers* in 2019 and was selected to participate in NCBJ’s NextGen program in 2018. Ms. Bailey is the editor of ABI’s *Best of ABI 2021: The Year in Consumer Bankruptcy*, and she is Board Certified in Consumer Bankruptcy Law by the American Board of Certification. She received her B.S. in business administration and B.A. in French from the University of Kansas, and her M.B.A. and J.D. from the University of Cincinnati.

Alexandra S. Barrage is a partner with Davis Wright Tremaine LLP in Washington, D.C. She leverages her years of legal and policymaking experience with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), as well as over a decade advising clients in the private sector on corporate bankruptcy matters, to provide financial institutions and technology companies with strategic advice on bank regulatory and enforcement matters, third-party risk management, bankruptcy, digital assets, and related legislative and regulatory developments. Ms. Barrage is a frequent speaker on banking, bankruptcy and digital asset issues, and she has been quoted in *American Banker*, *Bloomberg Law*, *Coindesk*, *Risk*, *TruthDAO* and *CoinTelegraph*. She co-leads the firm’s Crypto Working and Fintech Women Groups. She also is actively involved with several industry organizations in responding to bank regulatory, central bank digital currency and crypto developments, and she has provided technical assistance to congressional staff on developing digital asset legislation. During her time as an associate director with the FDIC, Ms. Barrage served as the Division of Complex Institution Supervision and Resolution’s lead regulatory policy expert, focusing on U.S. and global regulatory issues impacting systemically important banking institutions. She worked closely with Federal Reserve staff on resolution plan rules, related guidance and feedback letters, and also supported interagency operational resilience work. Her role included engaging directly with banking institutions and trade associations, coordinating with supervisory colleagues on bank engagements, FDIC and interagency rule implementation, and providing technical assistance to congressional staff. Ms. Barrage received her B.A.

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Hon. Lisa G. Beckerman is a U.S. Bankruptcy Judge, sworn in on Feb. 26, 2021. From May 1999 until she was appointed to the bench, she was a partner in the financial restructuring group at Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP. From September 1989 until May 1999, she was an associate and then a partner in the bankruptcy group at Stroock & Stroock & Lavan LLP. Prior to her appointment, Judge Beckerman served as a co-chair of the Executive Committee of UJA-Federation of New York's Bankruptcy and Reorganization Group, as co-chair and as a member of the Advisory Board of ABI's New York City Bankruptcy Conference, and as a member of ABI's Board of Directors of from 2013-19. She is a Fellow and a member of the board of directors of the American College of Bankruptcy and a member of the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges (NCBJ) and the 2021 NCBJ Education Committee. She also is a member of the Dean's Advisory Board for Boston University School of Law. Judge Beckerman received her A.B. from University of Chicago in 1984, her M.B.A. from the University of Texas in 1986 and her J.D. from Boston University in 1989.

Don A. Beskrone is a director in Ashby & Geddes' Bankruptcy and Insolvency group in Wilmington, Del. For more than 35 years, he has practiced bankruptcy law in several jurisdictions, including Delaware, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, New York and Arizona. Prior to joining Ashby & Geddes in 2003, Mr. Beskrone was a trial attorney with the Office of the U.S. Trustee in Region 3. He is currently a chapter 7 panel trustee in Delaware. Mr. Beskrone received his B.A. in 1981 from the University of South Florida and his J.D. in 1985 from Rutgers University School of Law - Camden.

Hon. Hannah L. Blumenstiel is a U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the Northern District of California in San Francisco. Prior to her appointment on Feb. 11, 2013, Judge Blumenstiel was an associate (2003-08) and then a partner (2008-12) with Winston & Strawn LLP, where she focused her practice on creditors' rights litigation in state and federal court, including bankruptcy court. From 2001 to 2003, Judge Blumenstiel was an associate with Murphy Sheneman Julian & Rogers LLP, where she represented debtors, creditors and trustees in bankruptcy cases and adversary proceedings. She served as a law clerk to Hon. Charles M. Caldwell of the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Ohio (Eastern Division) from 1998 to 2001, and from 1997-98, she represented the State of Ohio's interests in bankruptcy cases as an assistant attorney general with the Revenue Recovery Section of the Ohio Attorney General's Office. Judge Blumenstiel sits on ABI's Board of Directors and serves as an Executive Editor of the *ABI Journal*. She received her J.D. from Capital University Law School in 1997 while working full-time for the Columbus Bar Association as director of its *pro bono* initiative, "Lawyers for Justice," and her B.A. from Ohio State University in 1992.

Michael A. Brandess is a partner with Husch Blackwell LLP in Chicago, where his practice touches on all areas of corporate restructurings, crisis management, and transactions involving financial distress. He routinely counsels debtors, creditors, asset-purchasers, assignees, creditors' committees and trustees, among others, who require sound judgment and a deep knowledge of how to navigate the U.S. Bankruptcy Code. Mr. Brandess has represented numerous businesses, their owners, employees, bankruptcy committees and creditor trustees across multiple industries, including construction, agriculture, retail, restaurants and manufacturing. He frequently writes and speaks on issues pertain-

ing to financial distress, family business and entrepreneurship. In 2021, Mr. Brandess was honored as one of ABI's "40 Under 40," and he was a contributing editor and co-author of the ABI's *Chapter 12 from A to Z* treatise. His articles have twice been published on the cover of the *ABI Journal*, including the May 2022 issue, which featured "Getting Personal: Acquiring PII Out of Bankruptcy." Mr. Brandess received his J.D. *magna cum laude* from the University of Illinois College of Law.

Jason S. Brookner is a partner with Gray Reed & McGraw, P.C. in Dallas and is the firm's Bankruptcy Practice Group Leader. He focuses his practice on advising debtors, buyers, creditors, trustees, committees, lenders and other constituents in all aspects of distressed, insolvency and restructuring scenarios. Mr. Brookner has worked on complex cases in many industries, including oil and gas, manufacturing, distribution, health care, poultry and meat processing, metals trading and restaurants (including fast casual and quick-service). He has been listed in *Chambers & Partners USA* as one of the leading bankruptcy/restructuring lawyers in Texas every year since 2005, and he recently was recognized for his important role in the *Life Partners Holdings, Inc.* case, which was named the 2017 "Turnaround of the Year" in the large company category by the Turnaround Management Association. Mr. Brookner received his B.A. from the University of New York at Binghamton and his J.D. from Hofstra University School of Law, where he was the articles editor of the *Hofstra Property Law Journal*.

Hon. Kevin J. Carey is a partner in Hogan Lovells US LLP's Business Restructuring and Insolvency practice in Philadelphia and is a retired bankruptcy judge. He also is ABI's President and represents both companies and creditors in domestic and cross-border bankruptcy proceedings. Judge Carey was first appointed to the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania in 2001, then in 2005 began service on the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (serving as chief judge from 2008-11). During that time, he authored more than 200 reported decisions, issued important rulings on key issues such as valuation, fiduciary duties and other complex chapter 11 and confirmation issues, and presided over such high-profile cases as *Exide Technologies*, *Tribune Co.* and *New Century Financial*. Judge Carey was the first judge to serve as global chair of the Turnaround Management Association and is an honorary member of the Turnaround, Restructuring and Distressed Investing Hall of Fame, as well as a Distinguished Fellow of the Association of Insolvency & Restructuring Advisors. In addition, he is a Fellow of the American College of Bankruptcy and a member of the International Insolvency Institute, as well as a contributing author to *Collier on Bankruptcy*. He also is a part-time adjunct professor in the LL.M. in Bankruptcy program at St. John's University School of Law in New York City. Judge Carey began his legal career in 1979 clerking for Bankruptcy Judge Thomas M. Twardowski, then served as clerk of court of the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. He received his B.A. in 1976 from Pennsylvania State University and his J.D. in 1979 from Villanova University School of Law.

Andrea Chase is a partner with Spencer Fane LLP in Kansas City, Mo., where she represents secured and unsecured creditors and bankruptcy trustees in bankruptcy and nonbankruptcy insolvency proceedings such as receiverships and foreclosure proceedings, out-of-court workouts and restructurings, and other related insolvency matters. She currently serves on the advisory board for the Midwestern Bankruptcy Institute, an annual program jointly sponsored by ABI and the University of Missouri-Kansas City, and she serves on the board of the Kansas City Bankruptcy Bar Association. Ms. Chase is a 2021 honoree of ABI's "40 Under 40" program. She received her Bachelor's degree *summa cum*

laude in business administration and government & international affairs from Augustana College, and her J.D. with highest distinction from the University of Iowa College of Law, where she served as a managing editor for the *Iowa Law Review*, was a member of the Pro Bono Society and earned a Boyd Service Award. During law school, she externed for Chief Judge Thad Collins of the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Iowa.

Hon. Scott C. Clarkson is a U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the Central District of California in Santa Ana and Riverside, appointed on Jan. 20, 2011, and has also sat on the Ninth Circuit Bankruptcy Appellate Panel. Prior to his appointment, Judge Clarkson practiced bankruptcy law and bankruptcy litigation for more than 20 years in Los Angeles, and he served as chair of the Los Angeles County Bar Association's Commercial Law and Bankruptcy Section from 2008-09, and on the board of directors of the Los Angeles Bankruptcy Forum and the Los Angeles Financial Lawyers Conference. He also previously served as judicial chair of the California Bankruptcy Forum, on the advisory board of ABI's Bankruptcy Battleground West, and for the Association of Insolvency and Restructuring Advisors' National Conference. Judge Clarkson has served as co-chair of the Legislative Committee of the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges, and he is currently a member of the ABI Task Force on Veterans and Servicemembers Affairs. He has also served on the board of directors of the Orange County Federal Bar Association and the Orange County Bankruptcy Forum. Judge Clarkson was admitted to the bars of Virginia, the District of Columbia and California. He was admitted to the bar of the U.S. Supreme Court in 1988. Beginning in January 1977, Judge Clarkson was a legislative assistant to a U.S. Congressman serving on the Judiciary Committee of the U.S. House of Representatives, where he was a direct observer and participant in the drafting of the Bankruptcy Code of 1978. He also served on the first board of advisors for the *Norton Annual Survey of Bankruptcy Law* (1979). Judge Clarkson has served as a judicial mediator in various cases over the last 12 years, including Exide Technologies, Inc. (Delaware), Ruby's Diners (Los Angeles), Eagen Avenatti, LLC (Orange County) and the City of San Bernardino, California (San Bernardino). He has presided over dozens of other judicial mediations over his career. Judge Clarkson received his undergraduate degree from Indiana University in Bloomington in 1979 and his J.D. from George Mason University School of Law in 1982, where he was a member and an editor of its law review.

Prof. Andrea Coles-Bjerre is associate professor of law and faculty director of the Business Law Program at the University of Oregon School of Law in Eugene, where she teaches and writes in the fields of bankruptcy and civil procedure, often using insights from cognitive linguistics to critique legal rules and the process of judicial decisionmaking. She received the Orlando J. Hollis Award for Excellence in Teaching. After finishing law school, Prof. Coles-Bjerre clerked for two years for U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Jerome Feller of the Eastern District of New York and practiced for six years with the law firm of Milbank, Tweed, Hadley & McCloy in New York, where she was the lead associate in a variety of complex chapter 11 and other insolvency matters, including the representation of an investor group that acquired New York City's Rockefeller Center, and the institutional noteholders in the reorganization of the Phar-Mor chain of drugstores (one of history's more notorious bankruptcy fraud cases). She has been a member of the Oregon faculty since 1996. Prof. Coles-Bjerre is a peer reviewer for the *American Bankruptcy Law Journal* and has been a visiting faculty member at Brooklyn Law School. She is a member of the Executive Committee of the AALS Section on Law and Interpretation. Prof. Coles-Bjerre received her B.A. *magna cum laude* from Barnard College in 1984 and her J.D. from Brooklyn Law School in 1987.

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Hon. Rebecca B. Connelly is a U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the Western District of Virginia in Harrisonburg, appointed in July 2012. Before joining the bench, she was the Standing Chapter 13 Trustee and Chapter 12 Trustee for the Western District of Virginia, and prior to that was in private practice in Virginia and in Washington, D.C. Judge Connelly is chair of the Judicial Conference Advisory Committee on the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure. As a member of the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges, she formerly chaired the NCBJ Federal Rules Advisory Committee. Judge Connelly is an adjunct professor of law at Washington and Lee University School of Law (teaching bankruptcy). She also is a conferee in the National Bankruptcy Conference and a frequent speaker for Virginia CLE, an author of two chapters of *Bankruptcy Practice in Virginia* (2004, reprinted 2008, and revised and reprinted 2016), and an active member of ABI since 1994. Judge Connelly has served as a contributing editor and a features author for the *ABI Journal*, and she has been a member of ABI’s Consumer Bankruptcy Committee, as well as a speaker at its Annual Spring Meeting, Winter Leadership Conference, and regional conferences, including Views from the Bench. She also serves on the advisory board and volunteers for Credit Abuse Resistance Education. Judge Connelly formerly served on the board and as a volunteer for Rockbridge Area Hospice. She received her B.A. in 1985 from the University of Maryland and her J.D. in 1988 from Washington & Lee University School of Law.

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Marguerite Lee DeVoll is a partner in Watt, Tieder, Hoffar & Fitzgerald, LLP's Creditors' Rights, Bankruptcy and Insolvency Practice in Mc Lean, Va. Her practice focuses on business restructurings, bankruptcy and creditors' rights, as well as complex commercial disputes in state and federal courts across the U.S. She has handled complex chapter 11 cases and out-of-court workouts involving a variety of industries, including real estate, hospitality and services, education and construction. Ms. DeVoll has represented creditors in corporate and individual chapter 7, 11 and 13 cases. In addition, she frequently represents commercial landlords and national retail tenants in commercial real property and bankruptcy litigation, sureties and creditors who must protect their rights in connection with construction and other types of real estate related loans and other types of obligations that are either in default or at risk of default. She also has experience defending fraudulent transfer and preference actions. Ms. DeVoll previously clerked for Hon. William R. Sawyer of the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Middle District of Alabama from 2010-12. She received her B.A. with distinction from the University of Virginia and her J.D. from Emory School of Law, where she served as editor-in-chief of the *Emory Bankruptcy Developments Journal*.

Hon. Mary Grace Diehl is a retired U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the Northern District of Georgia in Atlanta, appointed in February 2004 and retired in 2018. She is currently serving on recall status. Prior to taking the bench, Judge Diehl was a partner in the litigation section of Troutman Sanders LLP and chaired its Bankruptcy Practice Group. During her years in private practice, she was consistently named in *The Best Lawyers in America* and *Chambers US: America's Leading Business Lawyers*. Judge Diehl is a past president of the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges, and serves on the Boards of Directors of ABI, the Turnaround Management Association and IWIRC. She is also a Fellow of the American College of Bankruptcy and formerly served as vice president of its board of directors; she has also served on the boards of ABI, the Turnaround Management Association and the International Women In Restructuring Confederation (IWIRC). Judge Diehl received the Woman of the Year in Restructuring Award in 2008 from IWIRC (International Women in Restructuring Confederation), the David W. Pollard award for professionalism from the Atlanta Bar in 2013 and the Atlanta Bar Woman of Achievement Award in 2017, and she is a regular speaker at CLE programs. She served as a trustee of Canisius College from 2008-14 and received the outstanding alumni contributor award from Canisius in 2013. She has been an adjunct professor of law at Emory Law School and is a frequent speaker at national, regional and local educational programs. Judge Diehl received her B.A. *summa cum laude* from Canisius College in Buffalo, N.Y., and her J.D. *cum laude* from Harvard Law School.

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