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Faculty Biographies

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 currently the judicial chair of ABI's Hon. Eugene R. Wedoff Consumer Bankruptcy Conference and a bankruptcy judge representative to the Judicial Counsel for the Seventh Circuit, member of the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges' Education and Membership Services Committees, board member of the Chicago chapter of the International Women's Insolvency & Restructuring Confederation, chair of the Northern District of Illinois Bankruptcy Court's Local Rules Committee, member of the Advisory Council of the Women's Bar Foundation of Chicago, member of the Chicago Credit Abuse Resistance Education Leadership Team and member of the Chicago Bankruptcy Court Liaison Committee. She is a frequent speaker for ABI, ABA, the Chicago Bar Association, IWIRC and the Turnaround Management Association. Judge Baer earned her B.A. from the University of Wisconsin - Madison and her J.D. from DePaul College of Law.

Saskia N. Bryan is a partner with Latimer LeVay Fyock LLC in Chicago, where she practices primarily as a commercial litigator, but specializes in employment law and the niche practice of representing student loan guarantors in bankruptcy. She represents both employers and employees in litigation, but also provides counsel to resolve disputes and address employment issues prior to litigation. Ms. Bryan's practice also includes corporate transactional work, particularly in the area of employment, such as restrictive covenant agreements, compensation policies and handbooks. As a general litigator, she has handled a wide range of commercial disputes, from contractual actions to tortious interference to fiduciary duty claims. Ms. Bryan regularly represents creditors in all aspects of chapter 7, chapter 11 and chapter 13 bankruptcy cases, including evidentiary hearings on the valuation of real estate as well as adversary trials seeking a finding of nondischargeability. She has either tried or resolved over a dozen student loan undue-hardship adversary matters. Ms. Bryan received her undergraduate degree from the University of North Carolina at Asheville and her J.D. from Northwestern University School of Law.

Hon. James M. Carr is a U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the Southern District of Indiana in Indianapolis, appointed in 2013. Previously, he was a partner at Faegre Baker Daniels LLP and had been in private practice for 38 years, focusing on the representation of business debtors and creditors in chapter 11 cases, financial restructurings and commercial litigation. Judge Carr is Board Certified in Business Bankruptcy Law by the American Board of Certification and is a Fellow in the American College of Bankruptcy and the American Bar Foundation. Judge Carr was named in *The Best Lawyers in America* from 1987-2012 in Bankruptcy and Creditor Rights, Insolvency and Reorganization Law and Bankruptcy Litigation, and has been a panelist and chair of many seminars on bankruptcy, reorganization, creditor rights and lender liability sponsored by the Indiana Continuing Legal Education Forum, Federal Bar Association and Indiana Bankers Association. He is also an adjunct professor at the Indiana University Maurer School of Law, served on the law school's Board of Visitors, and is a past member and president of its Alumni Board. Judge Carr received his B.A. in English from Indiana

University in 1972 and his J.D. *magna cum laude* in 1975 from the Indiana University Maurer School of Law in Bloomington, where he was a member of the Order of the Coif.

Paul R. Chael is the standing chapter 13 trustee for the Northern District of Indiana's Hammond Division in Merrillville, Ind., appointed in February 1987. He was appointed in 1986 as chapter 12 trustee for the Northern District of Indiana. Mr. Chael is admitted to practice in Indiana and the federal courts for the Northern and Southern Districts of Indiana, as well as the Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals. He has been an adjunct professor of law and taught a course on debtor/creditor law and bankruptcy at the Valparaiso University School of Law for more than 15 years. Mr. Chael has participated as a faculty member in more than 100 seminars throughout the Northern District of Indiana and across the country. He is a past president of both the National Association of Chapter 13 Trustees and the Association of Chapter 12 Trustees, as well as the Porter County Bar Association. Previously, Mr. Chael was a partner in the firms Brown and Chael, and Chael, Vincent & Associates. He has also served as receiver in both federal and state courts for more than 22 years. Mr. Chael is Board Certified in Consumer Bankruptcy Law by the American Board of Certification. He received his J.D. from Valparaiso University School of Law in 1981.

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.

David T. Erie is a partner at Kirkland & Ellis LLP in Chicago and the partner responsible for professional responsibility matters at the firm. In that role, he advises Kirkland attorneys, from the newest associates to seasoned partners, on ethics and professional responsibility issues. He has done numerous presentations on those issues, including for Kirkland attorneys, clients and industry groups. Mr. Erie also has trial, appellate and litigation experience in antitrust, contract, business tort, product liability, insurance coverage, employment, general business and other litigation throughout the U.S., as well as in arbitrations. He received his A.B. from Duke University in 1981 and his J.D. from the University of Chicago Law School in 1984.

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 is a frequent lecturer on bankruptcy, commercial law, ethics, marital property and litigation skills. She served as an adjunct faculty member at the University of Wisconsin Law School teaching lawyering skills for 21 years, and also served as an instructor in the general practice course. In addition to being co-author of *Wisconsin Business Advisors Series: Collections & Bankruptcy Vol. 4* (Pinnacle Books), Judge Furay co-authored the *Wisconsin Civil Litigation Forms Manual* (Pinnacle Books) and is a contributing author to *Construction Law*, Chapter 16, "Bankruptcy." She is also the author of several articles on various bankruptcy, collection, marital property and litigation topics. Judge Furay has served on the Board of Governors and various committees of the State Bar of Wisconsin, including its Executive and Finance Committees. She is a member of the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges, serving as the Seventh Circuit representative on the Board of Governors and as a member of the Finance Committee, and she has served on the NextGen and

Technology Committees of NCBJ. Judge Furay is an ABI member and currently serves on the Education Advisory Committees for ABI's Central States Bankruptcy Workshop and the Hon. Eugene R. Wedoff Seventh Circuit Consumer Bankruptcy Conference. She is also a member of the Turnaround Management Association and currently is president-elect of its Certification Oversight Committee. In addition, she is a member of the Bankruptcy Judges Advisory Group of the Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts. Judge Furay received her J.D. from the University of Wisconsin-Madison Law School.

Rebecca R. Garcia is the standing chapter 12 and 13 trustee in Oshkosh, Wis. She was appointed on Dec. 1, 2014, as the standing chapter 13 trustee and April 1, 2016, as the standing chapter 12 trustee. Prior to her appointment, Ms. Garcia was a staff attorney for Mary B. Grossman, the chapter 13 trustee in Milwaukee from 2002-14. She has been practicing in the area of consumer bankruptcy since 1996. Prior to 2002, she represented debtors in consumer cases. Ms. Garcia is a past member of the board of the Bankruptcy, Insolvency and Creditors Rights Section of the State Bar of Wisconsin and a member of the National Association of Chapter 13 Trustees. She received her B.A. from the University of Wisconsin Platteville in 1992 and her J.D. from Marquette University in 1996.

Gordon E. Gouveia is a member of Shaw Fishman Glantz & Towbin LLC in Chicago, where he has practiced law since 2005. He previously clerked for Hon. Eugene R. Wedoff (ret.) in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Illinois. Mr. Gouveia represents all parties in business bankruptcy cases and insolvency situations with a focus on businesses, owners and guarantors. He also has substantial experience representing trustees, receivers and creditors in bankruptcy litigation and other complex commercial litigation. For several years, Mr. Gouveia has been named a "Rising Star" in *Illinois Super Lawyers* for Bankruptcy & Creditor/Debtor Rights. In 2015 and 2016, he was named an "Emerging Lawyer" by *Leading Lawyers*, an honor given to the top 2 percent of lawyers under age 40. Mr. Gouveia received his J.D. from Vanderbilt University Law School in 2004.

David P. Holtkamp is senior counsel with the City of Chicago, Department of Law in Chicago, where he oversees its bankruptcy group. Previously, he was an attorney at FactorLaw in Chicago, where he primarily represented chapter 7 trustees and creditors in bankruptcy-related litigation; he also represented debtors-in-possession in small reorganization proceedings under chapter 11. Prior to joining FactorLaw, he clerked for Hon. Bruce W. Black, Chief Judge of the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Illinois. Mr. Holtkamp received his J.D. *magna cum laude* in 2009 from the John Marshall Law School in Chicago, graduating second in his class.

Ariane R. Holtschlag is an associate attorney with the Law Office of William J. Factor in Chicago, where her practice is focused primarily in the field of consumer bankruptcy and is equally divided among representing trustees, debtors and creditors in chapters 7 and 13. She also represents individuals and small businesses in chapter 11. Ms. Holtschlag has spoken at several bankruptcy education programs and also volunteered for CARE, speaking to high school students about credit and bankruptcy. She received her undergraduate degree in 2004 from Illinois Wesleyan University and her J.D. from the University of Iowa in 2007.

Hon. Susan V. Kelley is Chief U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the Eastern District of Wisconsin in Milwaukee. Prior to her appointment, she was a partner in the Madison, Wis., office of Michael, Best & Friedrich and also practiced with the Madison law firms of Lee, Kilkelly, Paulson & Younger and Murphy & Desmond, and the Baltimore firm of Weinberg and Green. She is Board Certified in Business Bankruptcy Law by the American Board of Certification. Judge Kelley is active in the State Bar of Wisconsin, having chaired its Bankruptcy, Insolvency and Creditors' Rights Section for four years, and is a former member of the executive committee of the board of governors. She is also editor-in-chief of *Ginsberg & Martin on Bankruptcy* and an adjunct professor at Marquette University Law School. Judge Kelley authored the debtor/creditor law chapter of the *Annual Survey of Wisconsin Law* for 10 years. Judge Kelley received her J.D. from the Columbus School of Law at the Catholic University of America and her B.A. from Marquette University.

Prof. Bruce A. Markell is a professor of bankruptcy law and practice at Northwestern University's Pritzker School of Law in Chicago. From 2004-13, he was a U.S. bankruptcy judge for the District of Nevada, and from 2007-13 he was also a member of the Bankruptcy Appellate Panel for the Ninth Circuit. Before taking the bench, Prof. Markell practiced bankruptcy and business law in Los Angeles for 10 years as a partner at Sidley & Austin, and he was a law professor for 14 years. After law school, he clerked for then-judge Anthony M. Kennedy on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. Prof. Markell is the author of numerous articles on bankruptcy and commercial law and a co-author of four law school casebooks. He contributes to *Collier on Bankruptcy* and is a member of *Collier's* editorial advisory board. Prof. Markell is a conferee of the National Bankruptcy Conference, a Fellow in the American College of Bankruptcy, a member of the International Insolvency Institute and a member of the American Law Institute. He is also a founding member of the NITA-trained faculty of the Advanced Consumer Bankruptcy Practice Institute and a commissioner for ABI's Commission on Consumer Bankruptcy. Prof. Markell has served as an advisor on bankruptcy and secured transaction reform to the Republic of Indonesia, and recently completed a project redrafting Kosovo's bankruptcy law. He also consults regularly with the International Monetary Fund on insolvency-related issues (having been part of the IMF's missions to Ireland, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Montenegro, Serbia and Greece). Prof. Markell received his J.D. in 1980 from the University of California at Davis.

Hon. Robert D. Martin is a retired U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the Western District of Wisconsin residing in Middleton, Wis., and served the judiciary for 38 years until his retirement on Sept. 30, 2016. Previously, he worked as an attorney with Ross & Stevens, S.C., until he was appointed Chief U.S. Bankruptcy Judge in 1978. Judge Martin was a charter Fellow of the American College of Bankruptcy and a conferee of the National Bankruptcy Conference. He also was a national director of the Turnaround Management Association and a director of the Association of Certified Turnaround Professionals. He served as a president of the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges (NCBJ) and was on the faculty of the Federal Judicial Center school for new judges. He also assisted the work of the National Bankruptcy Review Commission. Judge Martin was the 2011 recipient of the Norton Judicial Excellence Award in recognition of dedication and outstanding contribution to the insolvency community. He has taught debtor/creditor, general practice, farm credit and advanced bankruptcy courses at the University of Wisconsin Law School and frequently given presentations on bankruptcy and commercial law topics. He also co-authored *Ginsberg and Martin on Bankruptcy and Secured Transactions Handbook for Wisconsin Lawyers and Lenders* and has been a contributing author to *Norton Bankruptcy Law and Practice* and *Norton Bankruptcy Law Advisor*. Judge Martin received

his undergraduate degree from Cornell College in 1966 and his J.D. from the University of Chicago in 1969.

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.

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Timothy F. Nixon is a shareholder with Godfrey & Kahn, S.C. in Green Bay, Wis., and is the lead attorney for the firm's Business Finance, Bankruptcy & Restructuring Practice Group. He is a frequent lecturer and speaker on matters involving commercial litigation, the Uniform Commercial Code and bankruptcy law. Mr. Nixon has represented clients in cases before the U.S. Supreme Court and the courts of appeals, as well as in bankruptcy courts across the nation, including some of the largest cases filed in the U.S. He was counsel to the fee examiner in the General Motors bankruptcy, and his team was counsel to the fee committee in the Lehman Brothers Holdings Inc. bankruptcy. Mr. Nixon has been selected as a Top 50 *Wisconsin Super Lawyer* and is listed in *The Best Lawyers in America*. He also served from January 2008 to January 2011 on the *American Bankruptcy Law Journal's* editorial advisory board. In March 2009, Mr. Nixon was elected to the American College of Bankruptcy and served on the Seventh Circuit Admissions Council. The *Wisconsin Law Journal* named him a "Leader in the Law," and the Eastern District of Wisconsin Bar Association awarded him its prestigious Judge John W. Reynolds Community Building Award for his pro bono work. For the past 15 years, Mr. Nixon has been an associate faculty member, teaching classes in law at the University of Wisconsin - Green Bay. In addition to Wisconsin's courts, he is admitted to practice in New York, before the Third Circuit Court of Appeals and before many U.S. District Courts. Mr. Nixon received his A.S. in maritime science with high honors from the Great Lakes Maritime Academy at Northwestern Michigan College, his B.S. *cum laude* in public and environmental administration in 1987 from the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay, his M.A. in public policy and administration from the University of Wisconsin-Madison Robert M. LaFollette Institute of Public Affairs in 1990, and his J.D. *cum laude* in 1990 from the University of Wisconsin Law School, where he was a member of the Order of the Coif.

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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 is ABI's president and sits on the 15-member expert panel for ABI's newly created Commission on Consumer Bankruptcy. Judge Wedoff presided over the chapter 11 reorganization of United Air Lines, 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 from 2013-14 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 a Fellow in 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), has been an associate editor of the *American Bankruptcy Law Journal* and currently serves as a contributing editor of the *Thomson Reuters Bankruptcy Law Letter*. Judge Wedoff is a frequent lecturer and has served as a member of the Federal Judicial Center's Committee on Bankruptcy Judge Education. In 2016, he received the Judge William L. Norton Jr. Judicial Excellence Award; 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.

Stacy M. Wissel is a chapter 7 panel trustee in the Southern District of Indiana - Evansville Division and serves as a part-time staff attorney for the Bankruptcy Offices of Mark S. Zuckerberg in Indianapolis. She previously worked for the Bankruptcy Court Clerk's office in Indianapolis and became courtroom deputy to Hon. Robert L. Bayt. She subsequently served as staff attorney to Robert Broth-

ers, Chapter 13 Trustee. In October 2002, Ms. Wissel was appointed by the U.S. Trustee's Office as a panel trustee. She has been a frequent speaker on consumer bankruptcy issues for ICLEF.

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