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Hon. Jeffery A. Deller is a U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania in Pittsburgh, appointed in 2005. Prior to his appointment, he was a shareholder in the bankruptcy and insolvency practice group at Klett Rooney Lieber & Schorling, P.C. While in private practice, some of his representations included representing the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center Health System (UPMC) in connection with its \$100 million acquisition of the assets of St. Francis Hospital, serving as counsel to the unsecured creditors' committees of various chapter 11 cases (including the cases filed by National Record Mart and Arcadia Energy Corp.), and serving as advisor to most of the Pittsburgh region's banks and financial institutions with respect to bankruptcy and loan workout

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tion of *Ex Ante* Agreements by the Bankruptcy Code,” 95 *Am. Bankr. L. J.* 713 (2021); “The Long Strange Trip to a Certainty of Hopelessness: The Legislative and Political History of the Nondischarge of Student Loans in Bankruptcy,” 95 *Am. Bankr. L. J.* 443 (2021); and “The Argument for a Federal Rule of Decision for a Bankruptcy Court’s Recharacterization of a Claim as Equity,” 94 *Am. Bankr. L. J.* 681 (2020). In addition, he is editor-in-chief of the *Norton Journal of Bankruptcy Law and Practice* and co-editor-in-chief of the *Norton Annual Survey of Bankruptcy Law*, and he is the director of the Institute of Delaware Corporate and Business Law. Prof. Grohsgal received his J.D. in 1980 from Columbia University Law School.

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