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Hon. Beth A. Buchanan is a U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the Southern District of Ohio in Cincinnati, appointed on May 10, 2011. Prior to her appointment, she was a member of Frost Brown Todd LLC in its Bankruptcy and Restructuring Practice Group, where she practiced exclusively in the areas of bankruptcy and insolvency law, representing debtors, creditors' committees, secured lenders and unsecured creditors in numerous complex chapter 7, 11 and 15 bankruptcy proceedings. Prior to obtaining her law degree, Judge Buchanan worked in banking for over eight years with two major financial institutions. She is a member of ABI, the American Bar Association, the Thomas F. Waldron American Bankruptcy Law Forum and the International Women's Insolvency & Restructuring Confederation, and she chairs the Chapter 11 Subcommittee and is a member of the Standing Committee of the Local Bankruptcy Rules Committee for the Southern District of Ohio. Judge Buchanan received her B.S.B.A. in 1986 from The Ohio State University and her J.D. *summa cum laude* in 1997 from the University of Dayton School of Law.

Beverly M. Burden has served as the chapter 13 trustee for the Eastern District of Kentucky in Lexington since 1999. She previously clerked for Hon. Joe Lee, and prior to that was an assistant attorney general for the Commonwealth of Kentucky in its Consumer Protection Division. Ms. Burden has presented at numerous national, regional and local bankruptcy seminars, and strives to share practical information that consumer bankruptcy attorneys can use. She is a member of the National Association of Chapter Thirteen Trustees (NACTT) and serves on the board of directors of the NACTT Academy for Consumer Bankruptcy Education (www.considerchapter13.org). Ms. Burden chairs the University of Kentucky Biennial Consumer Bankruptcy Law Conference and served on the Chapter 13 Advisory Committee to the ABI Commission on Consumer Bankruptcy. She also is a regular contributor to www.considerchapter13.org. Ms. Burden was the 1997 recipient of the Kentucky Bar Association's Justice Thomas B. Spain Award for Outstanding Service in Continuing Legal Education and in 2017 was inducted as a Fellow in the American College of Bankruptcy. She received her J.D. from the University of Kentucky College of Law and holds a B.B.A. in accounting.

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. He is a board member of the Orange County Federal Bar Association, and has lectured on ethics and civility for the annual Los Angeles Federal Bar Association Ethics Program. He was a member of the Virginia, District of Columbia and California bars. From 1977-82, Judge Clarkson was a legislative assistant to U.S. Congressman Harold L. Volkmer in Washington, D.C., and was assigned to the U.S. House of Representatives Judiciary Committee, where he was a direct observer of and participant in the creation of the 1978 Bankruptcy Code in the House. He later clerked for Hon. William L. Hungate, U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Missouri. Judge Clarkson has also been an established documentary photographer in the U.S., Southeast and Central Asia, and South America for more than 20 years. He

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Hon. Joan N. Feeney is a neutral for JAMS in Boston, where she provides mediation, arbitration and neutral analysis services in complex disputes worldwide. She previously was a U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the District of Massachusetts from 1992 to May 2019 and Chief Judge from 2002-06. She is currently Chief Judge of the U.S. Bankruptcy Appellate Panel for the First Circuit. Judge Feeney is a Fellow, vice president and a member of the board of directors of the American College of Bankruptcy and served for three years on its Board of Regents. She is a co-author of the *Bankruptcy Law Manual*, a two-volume treatise published by Thomson Reuters, and a co-author of a book for consumers, *The Road Out of Debt*, published by John Wiley & Sons. Judge Feeney was the president of the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges in 2011 and 2012 and has served that organization in numerous capacities, including on its Board of Governors, as chair of its Newsletter Committee, as editor in chief and reporter for *Conference News*, and on special projects. Judge Feeney was the business manager of the *American Bankruptcy Law Journal* from 2016-18, and was an associate editor from 2013-16.

She is a founder and co-chair of the M. Ellen Carpenter Financial Literacy Project, a joint venture of the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Massachusetts and the Boston Bar Association. She was a member of the International Judicial Relations Committee of the Judicial Conference of the United States from 2006-12 and hosted many delegations of foreign judges in the U.S., as well as traveled to foreign countries on behalf of the federal judiciary. Judge Feeney is the chair of the Massachusetts Bankruptcy Court's Pro Bono Committee and was co-chair of the Massachusetts Local Rules Committee for many years. She is a member of ABI and sat on its Board of Directors, and she has been judicial chair of several regional ABI educational programs and is a frequent ABI panelist. Prior to her appointment, Judge Feeney was an associate and partner in the Boston law firm Hanify & King, P.C., was a career law clerk to Hon. James N. Gabriel, U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the District of Massachusetts, and a partner in the Boston law firm Feeney & Freeley, where her practice included service as a trustee on the U.S. Trustee's private panel of trustees. In 2005, she received the Boston Bar Association's Haskell Cohn Award for Distinguished Judicial Service, and in 2009 the American College of Bankruptcy First Circuit Fellows recognized her for contribution to bankruptcy jurisprudence and practice. She also was the 2018 recipient of the Charles P. Normandin Lifetime Achievement Award from the Boston Bar Association and the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges Excellence in Education Award. Judge Feeney is a graduate of Connecticut College and Suffolk University Law School.

Hon. Robert E. Gerber is Of Counsel with Joseph Hage Aaronson in New York and a retired U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the Southern District of New York in New York, appointed in 2000 and reappointed in 2014. He assumed recall status in January 2015 and retired in January 2016. Judge Gerber offers services in bankruptcy and commercial arbitration, mediation, fiduciary work and consulting. While on the bench, Judge Gerber presided over a wide variety of chapter 11, chapter 7, chapter 15, § 304 and SIPA cases, including *PSINet*, *Ames Department Stores*, *Global Crossing*, *Adelphia*, *ABIZ*, *Basis Yield Alpha Fund*, *Lyondell Chemical*, *BearingPoint*, *DBSD North America*, *Chemtura*, *Pinnacle Airlines*, *Houghton-Mifflin Harcourt* and *General Motors*. He presided over more than 20 cases with over \$100 million in debt, including 10 with over \$1 billion in debt. Judge Gerber has published roughly 200 opinions, principally in the business bankruptcy and corporate governance areas, and throughout his tenure on the bench was named one of the nation's outstanding bankruptcy judges six times. Prior to taking the bench, he practiced with the firm of Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson in New York City, specializing in securities and commercial litigation and, thereafter, bankruptcy litigation and counseling. He is an adjunct professor of law at Columbia Law School (where he teaches Columbia's Advanced Bankruptcy Seminar), a contributing author to *Collier on Bankruptcy*, and a Fellow and former director of the American College of Bankruptcy. Judge Gerber earned his B.S. with high honors in industrial engineering from Rutgers University in 1967 and his J.D. *magna cum laude* from Columbia Law School in 1970, where he was a Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar and a James Kent Scholar. He then served as a First Lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force from 1971-72.

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Hon. John E. Hoffman, Jr. is a U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the Southern District of Ohio in Columbus, appointed in 2000. Previously, he was a partner in the Columbus office of Arter & Hadden LLP, where he practiced primarily in the areas of bankruptcy and commercial litigation, focusing on the representation of chapter 11 debtors and creditors' committees. He joined Arter & Hadden in 1989 after completing a judicial clerkship with Hon. R. Guy Cole, Jr., formerly a bankruptcy judge and now Chief Judge of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit. Judge Hoffman has been involved in several national and local organizations dedicated to improving the administration of the bankruptcy system and the practice of law in the bankruptcy courts. He is an active member of the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges, having served on the NCBJ Education Committee in 2013, the Elections Committee from 2013-15 and the Board of Directors of the NCBJ's Endowment for Education from 2006-11, including as chair of the Endowment from 2007-09. In April 2013, Chief Justice Roberts reappointed Judge Hoffman to a second three-year term on the Federal Judicial Center's Committee on Bankruptcy Judge Education. He is also a member of ABI and previously chaired the Columbus Bar Association's Bankruptcy Committee. Judge Hoffman teaches business bankruptcy as an adjunct professor of law at The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law, where he sits on the law school's National Council. In 2015, the Moritz College of Law presented Judge Hoffman with the William K. Thomas Distinguished Jurist Award, which recognizes personal integrity and commitment to fairness, freedom and equality. In 2016, he received the Excellence in Public Service Award

from the Moritz College of Law's Public Interest Law Foundation. Judge Hoffman also has worked to make legal services available to those who cannot afford them, having served on the Board of Trustees for The Legal Aid Society of Columbus from 1995-2000. For his work, he received the Award for Outstanding Pro Bono Service by a Judge from the Columbus Bar Association and Columbus Bar Foundation in 2012, and in 2015 had the honor of being presented with the Ohio State Bar Association's John and Ginny Elam Pro Bono Award, which is given in recognition of "exceptional volunteer service by a lawyer that advances the common good of the people of Ohio." Judge Hoffman received his B.A. *summa cum laude* from Wheeling Jesuit University in 1980 and his J.D. *magna cum laude* from The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law in 1983.

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Hon. Jeffery P. Hopkins is a Bankruptcy Judge for the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Ohio in Cincinnati, appointed in 1996 and reappointed in 2010. After graduating from law school, he clerked for Hon. Alan E. Norris on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit, then worked as an associate with Squire, Sanders & Dempsey, LLP, specializing in complex commercial litigation. In 1990, Judge Hopkins sought appointment as an Assistant U.S. Attorney and advanced to become chief of the Civil Division for the Southern District of Ohio. During his tenure on the bankruptcy court, he has served on several committees of the Judicial Conference of the United States and for bar-related and civic organizations. In 2002, the late Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist appointed Judge Hopkins to the Federal Judicial Center's Education Committee for bankruptcy judges. More recently, Chief Justice John G. Roberts, Jr. appointed him to the Advisory Committee on Bankruptcy Rules, for which he chaired its Business Bankruptcy Subcommittee until 2009. Currently, he serves on the Committee for the Judicial Branch, also by appointment of the Chief Justice. Judge Hopkins sits on ABI's Board of Directors and is a member of the board of the ABA's Business Bankruptcy Committee, for which he serves as a vice chair. He is an active member of the Sigma Pi Phi Fraternity, Cincinnati Bar Association, Black Lawyers Association of Cincinnati, Midwest Regional Bankruptcy Seminar Advisory Board and the Federal Bar Association. A frequent lecturer on bankruptcy restructuring law around the country, Judge Hopkins also has been a speaker for ABI, the American Law Institute-American Bar Association, National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges, the American Bar Association and other bar groups, and he is an adjunct professor at the University of Cincinnati College of Law. He also is a past president of the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges. Judge Hopkins received his A.B. in government and legal studies and anthro-sociology from Bowdoin College in 1982 and his J.D. in 1985 from The Ohio State University's Michael E. Moritz College of Law.

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