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## Faculty Biographies

**Michael B. Baker** is a solo practitioner with The Baker Firm, PLLC in Ft. Mitchell, Ky., and has represented a variety of debtors and creditors in chapter 7, 11 and 13 in the areas of bankruptcy and civil litigation. He also routinely represents chapter 7 trustees. Mr. Baker received his J.D. *cum laude* in 2007 from Northern Kentucky University Salmon P. Chase College of Law.

**Edward J. Boll, III** is the managing bankruptcy attorney with Lerner, Sampson & Rothfuss, LPA in Cincinnati. His bankruptcy law practice before all 12 active Ohio bankruptcy judges has included the representation of secured and unsecured creditors in chapters 7, 11, 12 and 13 cases. He is a former chairman of the Cincinnati Bar Association's Bankruptcy Judicial Liaison Committee, a former chairman of the Cincinnati Bar Association's Bankruptcy Committee, and a former board member of the Cincinnati Bar Association's Board of Trustees. He is actively involved with the NACTT Mortgage Subcommittee, and he is a member of the board of directors for the Trustee's Education Network (TEN) and ABI's Midwest Regional Bankruptcy Seminar Advisory Board. Mr. Boll received his B.A. from the University of Cincinnati in 1997 and completed an International & Comparative Business Law Study Abroad in London in 1998 with the University of Notre Dame School of Law, and he received his J.D. from the University of Dayton School of Law in 2000, where he was a member of the University of Dayton National Bankruptcy Moot Court Team.

**Hon. Paul W. Bonapfel** is a U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the Northern District of Georgia in Atlanta, appointed in 2002. Prior to his appointment, he practiced law in Atlanta with Lamberth, Bonapfel, Cifelli & Stokes, P.A., now known as Lamberth, Cifelli, Ellis & Nason, P.A. As an attorney, Judge Bonapfel represented all types of parties in bankruptcy cases, including consumer and business debtors in liquidation cases, business debtors in reorganization cases, chapter 7 and 11 bankruptcy trustees, creditors' committees, and creditors in both consumer and business cases. Judge Bonapfel is a co-author of *Chapter 13 Practice and Procedure* (Thomson Reuters). A Fellow in the American College of Bankruptcy, he has served as chairperson of the Bankruptcy Sections of the State Bar of Georgia and the Atlanta Bar Association and was a director and president of the Southeastern Bankruptcy Law Institute, which presents an annual seminar on bankruptcy law and procedure. In addition, he teaches a course at Mercer Law School in Macon, Ga., on consumer bankruptcy practice. Judge Bonapfel received his B.A. *cum laude* from Florida State University in 1972 and his J.D. *magna cum laude* from the University of Georgia School of Law in 1975, where he was a notes editor of the *Georgia Law Review*. Following law school, he clerked for U.S. District Judge Wilbur D. Owens, Jr., in Macon.

**Margaret A. Burks** is the chapter 13 trustee for the Southern District of Ohio in Cincinnati, appointed in July 1992. Previously, she clerked for U.S. Bankruptcy Judge J. Vincent Aug, Jr. from 1988-91 and was counsel to PNC Bank in the areas of bankruptcy and commercial law. Ms. Burks chaired the CBA Bankruptcy Committee, is a past president of the National Association of Chapter 13 Trustees and a former co-chair of ABI's Consumer Bankruptcy Committee. She received her B.S. and B.A. *magna cum laude* from the University of Cincinnati in 1977 and is a member of Phi Beta Kappa. She received her J.D. from Salmon P. Chase College of Law in 1985, where she was a member of its law review.

**Gregory Burrell** is a chapter 13 trustee in Minneapolis, appointed in 2013, and is a licensed attorney in Louisiana and Minnesota. He started his legal career with Murray & Murray Law firm as a con-

sumer attorney representing debtors in chapter 7 and 13 bankruptcies, businesses in chapter 7 bankruptcies and the chapter 7 trustee in various litigation. Mr. Burrell founded a bankruptcy law clinic at Southern University Law Center, where he led student attorneys, who filed chapter 7 bankruptcies free of charge on behalf of individuals living below the poverty line. He also served as staff attorney to the chapter 13 trustee in the Western District of Louisiana. Mr. Burrell is a permanent member of the Bankruptcy Practice Committee in the District of Minnesota, a current NACTT board member and treasurer-elect for NACTT. He is very involved in the topic of equal justice under the law for marginalized communities and what can be done to correct such concerns within the bankruptcy system. Mr. Burrell received his Bachelor's degree in political science from Xavier University with a minor in business administration, and his J.D. from Southern University Law Center.

**Brian D. Flick** is the managing partner of The Dann Law Firm's Cincinnati office, where he focuses his practice in consumer law in Ohio, Kentucky and across the U.S. His practice areas include consumer bankruptcy debtor representation in the areas of chapters 7, 12 and 13, consumer fraud, real estate litigation, foreclosure defense, student loan debt defense, bankruptcy litigation and mortgage servicing litigation under the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act and the Truth in Lending Act. Since beginning the practice of law, he has been very active in local and national attorney associations. Mr. Flick is active with the Cincinnati Bar Association's Bankruptcy Committee, and he sits on the Volunteer Lawyers Committee for the Cincinnati Bar Association. He also is the current Sixth Circuit Listserv Moderator for the National Association of Consumer Bankruptcy Attorneys and the current Ohio State Chair for the National Association of Consumer Advocates, both positions he has held since May 2017. In addition, he was appointed by the Board of Trustees as a member of the Unauthorized Practice of Law Committee of the Cincinnati Bar Association in June 2017. Mr. Flick has been a frequent speaker at Cincinnati Bar Association, NACBA and NACA events since 2014, and he has assisted with DannLaw's Regulation X and Z Seminars, which have taken place since 2016. In addition, he serves as a facilitator for the SDOH Bankruptcy Mortgage Modification Program and a mediator with the SDOH Bankruptcy Court Mediation Program. Mr. Flick received his B.A. from Adrian College and his J.D. from the Ohio Northern University Petition College of Law.

**Eric W. Goering** is partner with Goering & Goering, LLC in Cincinnati and has more than 20 years of experience in bankruptcy law. His practice concentrates in business and consumer bankruptcy, including loan workouts and commercial loan restructuring for the large business client. He handles an average of 100 cases per month as trustee and debtor's counsel. Mr. Goering was appointed in 2003 as a chapter 7 trustee in the Southern District of Ohio. He is a past president of the Cincinnati Bar Association, a member of the Judicial Liaison Committee, Bankruptcy Local Rules Committee and Volunteer Lawyers, and an executive committee member of ABI's Midwest Regional Bankruptcy Seminar. He is also a frequent lecturer throughout the country regarding chapter 7, 11 and 13 bankruptcy issues. Mr. Goering received his B.A. in economics from Denison University in 1989 and his J.D. from Salmon P. Chase College of Law in 1992.

**Geoffrey S. Goodman** is a partner and litigation lawyer with Foley & Lardner LLP in Chicago, where his practice covers broad areas of bankruptcy and insolvency law and has focused on commodities and securities bankruptcies, as well as health care and energy bankruptcies. He is co-chair for the firm's Bankruptcy & Business Reorganizations Practice and a member of its Appellate Practice. Mr. Goodman has represented chapter 11 debtors, official creditors' committees, ad hoc com-

mittees, trustees, secured lenders, purchasers of assets and unsecured creditors in chapter 11 cases, including some of the largest chapter 11 cases in the country. In addition, he counsels clients in liquidations, workouts, assignments for the benefit of creditors and transactions, and handles bankruptcy and creditors' rights litigation in both federal and state court. Mr. Goodman has experience in the area of commodities and securities bankruptcies, having represented a consortium of customers holding over \$100 million in claims in the *MF Global* bankruptcy case and serving as special commodities counsel to the chapter 7 trustee in the Peregrine Financial Group, Inc. bankruptcy. Mr. Goodman also served as counsel to one of the largest creditors in the multi-billion dollar chapter 11 case of *In re Refco, Inc.* in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York and as counsel to an ad hoc committee of customers in the billion dollar case of *In re Sentinel Management Group, Inc.* in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Illinois. He has counseled large mutual funds, hedge funds, futures commission merchants, exchanges and other entities in this area. His practice also covers the areas of health care and energy bankruptcies, having served as counsel to the debtor and large secured and unsecured creditors in significant health care cases and counsel to the creditors' committee in the large chapter 11 cases of coal companies Horizon Natural Resources Co., Trinity Coal Corp. and Black Diamond Mining Company, LLC. Prior to joining Foley, Mr. Goodman clerked for Hon. Francis D. Murnaghan, Jr. of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit. He received his B.A. in political science with honors in 1996 from Illinois Wesleyan University and his J.D. *summa cum laude* in 1999 from the University of Illinois College of Law, where he was notes editor of the *Law Review* and elected to the Order of the Coif.

**Hon. Jeffery P. Hopkins** is a U.S. Bankruptcy Judge 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. 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. Judge Hopkins formerly served on the boards of ABI, the ABA Business Bankruptcy Committee and the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra, and as chair of the Queen City Foundation. Judge Hopkins is a Fellow of the American College of Bankruptcy and was an adjunct professor at the University of Cincinnati College of Law. He also was an adjunct professor at the University of Cincinnati College of Law. In 2010, Judge Hopkins received the William K. Thomas Distinguished Jurist Award from his alma mater, The Ohio State 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.

**Hon. Guy R. Humphrey** is a U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the Southern District of Ohio in Dayton, appointed in 2007. Prior to his appointment, he practiced in the areas of debtor/creditor law, bankruptcy representation, receivership and litigation, representing a broad spectrum of clients, including individual debtors, business debtors, secured creditors, unsecured creditors, committees, and purchasers of assets from financial institutions and bankruptcy estates. That representation spanned

many industries, including manufacturing, real estate, lodging, retail, construction, restaurant and food service, transportation, utilities, financial institutions, and equipment sales and leasing. Judge Humphrey is a member of the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges, ABI, the Thomas F. Waldron American Bankruptcy Law Forum, the American Bar Association, the Dayton Bar Association (Foundation Fellow) and the Federal Bar Association, and he served on the Bankruptcy Appellate Panel for the Sixth Circuit from 2013-18. In addition, he has served as a member of the Local Bankruptcy Rules Committee, the Bankruptcy Bench-Bar Conference Committee (Chair 2015-19) and the Complex Chapter 11 Procedures working group for the district. Both as a practitioner and as a judge, Judge Humphrey has been a presenter at numerous legal education seminars and conferences. Since being appointed, he has participated in the University of Dayton School of Law's externship program, as a presenter at the Law and Leadership Institute operated through the University of Dayton, and as a judge for the high school Robert N. Farquhar District Mock Trial Competition. Judge Humphrey received his undergraduate degree from Kent State University and his J.D. from The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law.

**Mary R. Jensen** is the Assistant U.S. Trustee for the Western District of Wisconsin in Madison. She is also an active member of several U.S. Trustee Program national project teams. Previously, Ms. Jensen clerked for Hon. Kay Woods in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Wisconsin before joining the U.S. Trustee Program in 2009 as a trial attorney, a position she held until 2014. Prior to attending law school, she held a variety of positions in education and nonprofit management. Ms. Jensen received her B.A. in psychology from the University of Dallas, her M.A. in professional writing with a concentration in public management from Carnegie Mellon University, and her J.D. from Duquesne University in Pittsburgh.

**Prof. Robert M. Lawless** is the Max L. Rowe Professor of Law and co-director of the Program on Law, Behavior & Social Science at the University of Illinois College of Law in Champaign, Ill., where he writes and teaches about bankruptcy, consumer finance and business law. He also served as the College's associate dean for research from 2013-16. Prof. Lawless served as the reporter for the ABI's Commission on Consumer Bankruptcy and was the recipient of ABI's Service Award in 2019. He is a co-author of *Secured Transactions: A Systems Approach and Empirical Methods in Law*. He also is a regular contributor to the blog Credit Slips, a discussion on credit, finance and bankruptcy. Prof. Lawless has testified before Congress, and his work has been featured in media outlets such as CNN, C-SPAN, NPR, the *New York Times*, the *Wall Street Journal*, *USA Today*, the *National Law Journal*, the *L.A. Times* and the *Financial Times*. He received both his undergraduate degree in accounting and his J.D. from the University of Illinois, during which time he served as editor-in-chief of the *University of Illinois Law Review*.

**Heather K. Lennox** is partner-in-charge in the Cleveland office of Jones Day, where she has played a leading role in representing debtors and potential debtors, creditors' committees, pre-petition secured lenders, bank groups, DIP lenders, credit card processors and other significant creditors in many of the nation's largest in- and out-of-court corporate and municipal restructurings. She counsels clients in fraudulent conveyance, illegal dividend, fiduciary duty and piercing-the-corporate-veil issues, as well as mass-tort issues in bankruptcy. Ms. Lennox has represented entities in the structuring and consummation of spin-offs, distressed sales and acquisitions, ring-fencing transactions, and other out-of-court restructuring transactions, including in the cases of Peabody Energy

Corp., the City of Detroit, Copperweld Corp., CSC Industries, Dana Corp., Fruehauf Trailer Corp., Great American Communications Co. (a prepackaged case), Hostess Brands, Inc., LTV Steel Co., Metaldyne Corp., Oglebay Norton Co. and St. Mary's of the Woods (a CCRC) as debtors' counsel, and significant creditors in the Delta Airlines, Forum Health, HomePlace Stores, Northwest Airlines, Pittsburgh Penguins, R.H. Macy, Southern Air Transport, United Airlines, US Airways and Wornick Co. bankruptcies. Ms. Lennox has coauthored bankruptcy-related articles published in *The Business Lawyer* and the *Journal of Bankruptcy Law and Practice*. She is listed in the *Guide to the World's Leading Insolvency and Restructuring Lawyers*, is a Fellow in the American College of Bankruptcy, is a conferee of the National Bankruptcy Conference (2012-present), and is a member of ABI, the Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association and the Bankruptcy Committee of the New York City Bar Association. *Lawdragon 500* listed her among the "Leading Lawyers in America" in 2017, and she has been recognized in the *Guide to the World's Leading Women in Business Law* and in *Ohio Super Lawyers*. Ms. Lennox received her B.A. *summa cum laude* from John Carroll University and her J.D. *cum laude* from Georgetown University.

**Pamela N. Maggied** is a sole practitioner with Pamela N. Maggied Co., L.P.A. in Columbus, Ohio, and her law practice has been devoted to the bankruptcy and insolvency areas since 1980. She has been Board Certified in Consumer Bankruptcy Law since 1993, and has been a member of NACBA since 1992. Ms. Maggied is a Columbus Bar Foundation Fellow and a member of the Columbus Bar Association. She is a Columbus Bar Foundation Fellow and a member of the Columbus Bar Association, for which she has been active in its Bankruptcy Committee since 1981. She also is a member of ABI and sits on the advisory board of the Midwest Regional Bankruptcy Seminar. Ms. Maggied is a member of the Mediation Committee, and a former member of the Attorney Advisory Committee, for the bankruptcy courts in Columbus, Cincinnati and Dayton. She also has been recognized as an *Ohio Super Lawyer* each year since 2007 and was listed among the Top 25 Women Columbus *Super Lawyers* 2010-14 and 2018 to the present. In addition, she was awarded the Columbus Bar Association's Professionalism Award for 2019. Ms. Maggied received her undergraduate degree *summa cum laude* in 1975 from Ohio University and her J.D. in 1979 from The Ohio State University College of Law.

**Donald W. Mallory, CPA** is a partner of the law firm of Wood + Lamping, LLP in Cincinnati, where his practice focuses on insolvency, debtors' and creditors' rights with a focus on credit union representation, bankruptcy reorganizations, out-of-court workouts, financial and organizational corporate restructurings, complex litigation and general business matters. He has experience representing debtors, secured lenders, trustees and trade creditors in proceedings under chapters 7, 11 and 13 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code, and in insolvency-related litigation such as receiverships and assignments for the benefit of creditors. Mr. Mallory has appeared and argued extensively in federal and state courts throughout the U.S. on a wide range of bankruptcy and collection-related issues, including appellate litigation. He also has been appointed a subchapter V trustee for the Southern District of Ohio. Mr. Mallory is a member of the Cincinnati, Ohio, American, Northern Kentucky and Kentucky Bar Associations and is admitted to practice before the U.S. Supreme Court, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit, the U.S. District Courts for the Northern and Southern Districts of Ohio, the Eastern and Western Districts of Kentucky, and the Northern and Southern Districts of Indiana, the U.S. Tax Court and the Bankruptcy Appellate Panel of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit. He also is an ABI member and is active on the advisory board of its Midwest Regional Bankruptcy Seminar. Mr. Mallory received his B.B.A. in 1995 from the University of Cincinnati

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**Ryan A. Maupin** is a principal in the Strategy & Transactions practice in the restructuring group of Grant Thornton LLP in New York. He specializes in advising domestic and international companies, secured and unsecured creditors and private-equity funds in workout situations both in court and out of court. Mr. Maupin is primarily focused on advising clients in sale processes, complex financial restructurings and liquidations, and he has served in various interim-management roles. He rejoined Grant Thornton in 2013 after serving as director for KPMG's Transactions and Restructuring practice. Mr. Maupin has more than 17 years of restructuring experience within a variety of industries. Most recently, he served as interim CEO to an oil field value, pipe and fittings distribution company as well as its subsidiary, an oil well casing services business, during their respective chapter 11 cases. He and his team were successful in selling all company assets through a § 363 sale process. Mr. Maupin's other interim-management assignments include serving as crisis manager to a large faith-based nonprofit organization during a substantial fiscal and public relations crisis. His team designed and implemented short- and long-term cash-forecasting processes, identified various cost-reduction initiatives, and assisted with the strategic disposition of certain assets. Mr. Maupin is a member of ABI and was selected as part of its inaugural class of "40 Under 40" in 2017. He is also a member of the Association of Insolvency & Restructuring Advisors and the Turnaround Management Association. Mr. Maupin received his B.S. from Millikin University.

**Hon. Charles R. Merrill** is a U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the Western District of Kentucky in Louisville, sworn in on Dec. 29, 2020. Prior to his appointment to the bench, he practiced with the U.S. Trustee Program for more than 15 years in Louisville. Judge Merrill joined the U.S. Trustee Program through the Attorney General's Honors Program immediately after graduating from Tulane University Law School. Before entering the practice of law, Judge Merrill lived and worked in Asia for five years.

**W. Timothy Miller** is a partner in the Cincinnati office of Taft Stettinius & Hollister LLP, where he assists business owners, C-level executives and boards of directors in restructuring financially distressed businesses. He has more than 20 years of experience in counseling financially troubled businesses; handling complex out-of-court restructurings, distressed asset acquisitions and dispositions (including UCC Article 9 sales); advising suppliers, factors, asset-based lenders and capital equipment and real estate lessors at the inception of the customer relationship and when the customer defaults; issuing true sale and nonsubstantive consolidation opinions for bankruptcy-remote entities; and representing major constituencies (debtors, official and unofficial committees, significant suppliers and DIP lenders) in chapter 11 bankruptcies. He is Board Certified by in Business Bankruptcy Law and is listed in the 2006-16 editions of *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business*, the 2006-16 editions of *The Best Lawyers in America*, published by Woodward/White, Inc., and the 2005-16 editions of *Ohio Super Lawyers*. In 2009, he was appointed to the Rules Committee for the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Ohio, and he has served on the Cincinnati Bar Association's Bankruptcy Judicial Liaison Committee. Mr. Miller received his bachelor's degree *cum laude* from DePauw University in 1989 with a double major in music and economics/

management, and his J.D. from Cornell Law School in 1992, where he served on the board of editors of *Cornell Law Review*.

**Hon. Daniel S. Opperman** is the Chief U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan in Bay City, sworn in on July 13, 2006, and reappointed in 2020. He also served for six years on the Bankruptcy Appellate Panel for the Sixth Circuit and was its Chief Judge for two years. Prior to taking the bench, Judge Opperman practiced with Braun Kendrick Finkbeiner, where he concentrated in litigation, bankruptcy and real estate. He earned his B.S. *magna cum laude* from Eastern Michigan University and his J.D. *magna cum laude* from Wayne State University Law School, where he was a member of the *Wayne Law Review* and served as note and comment editor.

**William J. Rochelle, III** is ABI's editor-at-large, based in New York. He joined ABI in 2015 and writes every day on developments in consumer and reorganization law. For the prior nine years, Mr. Rochelle was the bankruptcy columnist for Bloomberg News. Before turning to journalism, he practiced bankruptcy law for 35 years, including 17 years as a partner in the New York office of Fulbright & Jaworski LLP. In addition to writing, Mr. Rochelle travels the country for ABI, speaking to bar groups and professional organizations on hot topics in the turnaround community and trends in consumer bankruptcies. He earned his undergraduate and law degrees from Columbia University, where he was a Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar.

**Damian S. Schaible** is a partner with Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP in New York and co-heads its Restructuring practice. He has experience in a wide range of corporate restructurings and bankruptcies, representing debtors, creditors, banks, hedge funds, asset-purchasers and other strategic parties in connection with pre-packaged and traditional bankruptcies, out-of-court workouts, DIP and exit financings, bankruptcy litigation, § 363 sales and liability-management transactions. Mr. Schaible has served on ABI's Executive Committee and on the Executive Committee of the New York City Bar Association as its treasurer. In addition, he has worked with several major financial institutions on their resolution plans ("living wills") as required under Dodd-Frank. Mr. Schaible was twice named an "Outstanding Restructuring Lawyer" by *Turnarounds & Workouts*, most recently in 2020, and was named an "Energy MVP of the Year" by *Law360* for 2017. He received his B.A. *magna cum laude* in political science from the College of the Holy Cross in 1998 and his J.D. *magna cum laude* from New York University School of Law in 2001, where he was a member of the Order of the Coif and served on the *NYU Law Review*. After law school, he clerked for Hon. Danny J. Boggs of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit.

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services (privately held remediation company), food (multi-billion dollar cooperatively held beef and pork producer) and hospitality (privately held restaurant group) industries, among others. Mr. Simon received his B.B.A. in accountancy from the University of Notre Dame in 1998 and his J.D. in 2008 from Northwestern University Pritzker School of Law.

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**Hon. Tracey N. Wise** is a U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the Eastern District of Kentucky in Lexington, appointed on March 31, 2010. She served as Chief Judge from Oct. 1, 2011, until Sept. 30, 2019. She also was appointed to the Sixth Circuit Bankruptcy Appellate Panel in 2016, and was elevated to Chief Judge again on Oct. 1, 2019. Prior to her appointment, Judge Wise practiced in the areas of bankruptcy and debt restructuring, served on numerous court-appointed committees, chaired the Bankruptcy Sections of the Fayette County and Kentucky Bar Associations, served as a trustee of the Kentucky Bar Association Client's Security Fund, and was a member of the board of directors of the Lexington Affiliate of the Susan G. Komen for the Cure Breast Cancer Foundation. She also served on the executive board of the Midwest Regional Bankruptcy Seminar from 2000-03, and is a Fellow in the American College of Bankruptcy (2001) and a member of the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges, and she has served as the bankruptcy representative on various U.S. District Court and Sixth Circuit Committees. Judge Wise was listed in *The Best Lawyers in America* from 1997-09 and in *Super Lawyers Kentucky* as a "Top 50 Lawyer" and "Top 25 Female Lawyer." She received her B.A. *magna cum laude* and Phi Beta Kappa in 1980 from Indiana University and her J.D. from Indiana University School of Law, where she was a member of the Order of the Coif and note editor of the *Indiana Law Journal*.