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## **Faculty Biographies**

**Hon. Frank J. Bailey** was appointed as a U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the District of Massachusetts in Boston on Jan. 30, 2009, and served as Chief Judge from December 2010 until December 2015. He also serves on the First Circuit Bankruptcy Appellate Panel. Previously, Judge Bailey clerked for Hon. Herbert P. Wilkins of the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court from 1980-81 and was an associate at the Boston office of Sullivan & Worcester LLP until 1987, where he practiced in its litigation and bankruptcy departments. He spent the next 22 years as a partner at Sherin and Lodgen LLP, where he chaired its litigation department and was a member of its management committee. His practice focused on complex business litigation and creditors' rights, and he often represented clients in medical device, pharmaceutical and high-technology businesses. Judge Bailey served as the consul for the Republic of Bulgaria in Boston before his appointment to the bench, and he has participated in many international judicial programs. In 2013, he taught at the Astrakhan State University School of Law in south central Russia, and he has also taught courses in Bulgaria and in Uzbekistan. In addition, he taught legal writing and research at Boston University School of Law from 1981-93 and currently teaches business bankruptcy at Suffolk University Law School in Boston. Judge Bailey was appointed by the First Circuit to oversee the financial restructuring of the City of Central Falls, R.I., a rare chapter 9 case. The City of Central Falls filed a contested plan of readjustment that was confirmed in a little more than a year from filing. Judge Bailey serves on the Board of Governors of the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges and is the chair of the National Conference of Federal Trial Judges of the American Bar Association. In addition, he serves on the Standing Committee on Diversity in the American Judiciary of the Judicial Division of the American Bar Association. Judge Bailey received his B.S.F.S. from Georgetown University's School of Foreign Service and his J.D. from Suffolk University School of Law.

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**Hon. Colleen A. Brown** is Chief U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the District of Vermont in Burlington, appointed on April 10, 2000, and reappointed to a second 14-year term in October 2014. Previously, she was a partner in the law firm of Lawrence, Werner, Kesselring, Swartout & Brown, LLP, where

her practice focused on bankruptcy, both debtors' and creditors' rights, foreclosures, workouts and matrimonial bankruptcy issues. She also clerked for Hon. Beryl E. McGuire, Chief U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the Western District of New York, as the estate administrator in that court; as the Assistant U.S. Trustee for the Western District of New York; and as in-house counsel to The Canandaigua National Bank and Trust Co. Since being appointed to the bench, Judge Brown has served as a member of the Vermont Bar Association's Professionalism Roundtable and has chaired the Federal-State Law Council for the District of Vermont, Vermont's first Rule of Law Conference and the Federal Judges' Committee of the National Association of Women Judges. She has been very active in the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges since her appointment to the bench, including as the Second Circuit representative to the Board of Governors, a member of two NCBJ Education Committees, chair of the NCBJ's U.S. Trustee Liaison Committee, chair of the NCBJ's Liaison Committee to the National Association of Women Judges, and chair of the NCBJ President's Special Task Force for Cost Containment. Judge Brown is an author for *Collier on Bankruptcy* (15th ed. revised) and an associate editor for the *American Bankruptcy Law Journal*, and frequently lectures on consumer and farm bankruptcy law. She received the New York State Bar Association's President's Pro Bono Service Award in 1992 and the Vermont Bar Association's Pro Bono Service Award in 2006. Judge Brown received a B.A. *cum laude* with honors in philosophy from Colgate University in 1979 and her J.D. *cum laude* from the University of Buffalo Law School in 1983.

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**Hon. Peter G. Cary** is Chief Bankruptcy Judge for the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Maine in Portland, appointed in 2014. He also serves on the U.S. Bankruptcy Appellate Panel for the First Circuit. Previously, he clerked for one year for the Maine Superior Court and in 1988 joined the law firm of MittelAsen, LLC where he practiced law until his appointment to the bankruptcy court. Judge Cary served as the treasurer of the Maine State-Federal Judicial Council and as an advisory director of the Nathan & Henry B. Cleaves Law Library. He presents at various continuing legal education seminars for lawyers and judges, including those held by the Federal Judicial Center, ABI, the Maine State Bar Association and Massachusetts Continuing Legal Education, Inc. Judge Cary is a member of ABI, the Cumberland County Bar Association, the Maine State Bar Association and NCBJ, and is certified in both Consumer and Business Bankruptcy Law by the American Board of Certification. He received his undergraduate degree *cum laude* and Phi Beta Kappa from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst in 1982 and his J.D. *cum laude* from Boston College Law School in 1987.

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**Hon. Michael A. Fagone** is a U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the District of Maine in Bangor, appointed in April 2015. Previously, he was co-chair of Bernstein Shur's Business Restructuring and Insolvency Practice Group in Portland, where he specialized in bankruptcy and insolvency law. While practicing law, he was recognized in *The Best Lawyers in America* and by *Chambers USA* as one of the top bankruptcy lawyers in Maine. Judge Fagone is Board Certified in Business Bankruptcy Law by the American Board of Certification and serves on ABI's Board of Directors. He received his B.A. from Amherst College in 1993 and his J.D. *summa cum laude* from the University of Maine School of Law in 1997.

**Hon. Joan N. Feeney** is a U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the District of Massachusetts in Boston, initially appointed in 1992. She served as Chief Judge from 2002-06 and is Chief Judge of the First Circuit Bankruptcy Appellate Panel. Judge Feeney is the business manager of the *American Bankruptcy Law Journal*, for which she served as an associate editor from 2013-16. She 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. Judge Feeney is a co-author of the *Bankruptcy Law Manual*, a two-volume treatise published by Thomson Reuters, and of a book for consumers, *The Road Out of Debt*, published by John Wiley & Sons. She was president of the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges from 2011-12 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 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, hosting many delegations of foreign judges in the U.S. and traveling to foreign countries on behalf of the federal judiciary. Judge Feeney chairs the Massachusetts Bankruptcy Court's Pro Bono Committee and was co-chair of the Massachusetts Local Rules Committee for many years. She also served for several years on ABI's Board of Directors and as judicial chair of several regional ABI educational programs, in addition to being 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 the 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. 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 her contributions to bankruptcy jurisprudence and practice. She is also the 2018 recipient of the Charles P. Normandin Award of Lifetime Achievement from the Boston Bar Association. Judge Feeney is a graduate of Connecticut College and Suffolk University Law School.

**Hon. Diane Finkle** is a U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the District of Rhode Island in Providence, appointed on Sept. 6, 2012. She was appointed to the First Circuit Bankruptcy Appellate Panel in 2013. Since taking the bench, Judge Finkle has conducted legal education seminars for the Rhode Island Bar Association on bankruptcy topics and has served on seminar panels for ABI and MCLE/New England. Prior to her appointment, she was an attorney for 30 years with Winograd, Shine and Zacks PC in Providence, R.I., where she represented debtors, secured creditors and creditors' committees in chapter 11 bankruptcy cases, and served as counsel to bankruptcy trustees, also having served as a court-appointed receiver for various manufacturing, service and retail businesses, and commercial and residential real estate developments in numerous state court receivership proceedings. Judge Finkle had been continually listed in *The Best Lawyers in America* for Rhode Island Bankruptcy and Insolvency practitioners since 2007, and was named a *Super Lawyer* in 2008. She has also served on numerous education panels for ABI, the Rhode Island Bar Association and the Massachusetts Continuing Legal Education. Judge Finkle received her B.A. from Colorado University and the University of Rhode Island, and her J.D. from George Washington National Law Center at George Washington University.

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**Hon. Robert E. Grossman** is a U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the Eastern District of New York in Central Islip, appointed in April 2008, and serves as a visiting judge in the Southern District of New York. Prior to taking the bench, he practiced in the areas of corporate law, business reorganization and litigation at Duane Morris, where a significant part of his practice focused on providing advice to troubled or newly restructured companies, as well as investors, with respect to their financing needs. Judge Grossman has extensive experience in complex bankruptcy and creditor-rights litigation for both individuals and institutions, and he has represented parties in the restructuring and transfer of assets in bankruptcy court. He is experienced in the intricacies of bankruptcy and restructuring matters across a wide range of industries, including real estate and health care, and has represented borrowers, secured creditors, landlords and owners across the U.S. Prior to joining Duane Morris, Judge Grossman chaired the restructuring practice group of Arent Fox, directing almost 20 professionals in matters across the U.S. and in Europe. He began his legal career at the Securities and Exchange Commission in its Division of Enforcement in a group associated with the Division of Corporate Finance. After leaving the SEC, he founded and served as general counsel to a large financial services company that focused on acquiring and operating distressed assets. Judge Grossman is an adjunct professor at Touro Law School and a past chair of the International Secured Transactions and Insolvency Committee of the American Bar Association's Section of International Law, and he is a frequent speaker both in the U.S. and in Europe. In addition, he is a past president of the Brooklyn Law School Alumni Association. Judge Grossman was recently elected to the Board of Governors of the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges. He received his undergraduate degree from Rider University and his J.D. from Brooklyn Law School in 1973.

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