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Charles W. Azano is a senior attorney in Greenberg Traurig, LLP's Restructuring & Bankruptcy group in Boston. He represents parties in all areas of bankruptcy, most commonly representing indenture trustees, institutional investors and other creditors in receiverships, bankruptcies and out-of-court workouts involving tax-exempt municipal bonds. Mr. Azano works in a broad array of sectors, including energy, hospitality, housing, manufacturing, and most commonly senior-living facilities, frequently working in cases involving continuing care retirement communities and assisted-living facilities. He has been actively involved in ABI for more than 20 years, having edited and contributed to publications, authored articles and served on committees. He is a frequent speaker on bankruptcy and issues arising in bond workouts. Previously, Mr. Azano clerked for Hon. Joel B. Rosenthal in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Massachusetts. He received his undergraduate degree from Colgate University and his J.D. from Boston College Law School.

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 2014. 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 Uni-

versity School of Law in south central Russia, and he has also taught courses in Sofia, Bulgaria and Tashkent, Uzbekistan. In addition, he taught legal writing and research at Boston University School of Law from 1981-93 and currently teaches a business bankruptcy course at Suffolk University School of Law in Boston. Judge Bailey was appointed by the First Circuit to oversee the financial restructuring of the City of Central Falls, R.I. He has served on the Board of Governors of the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges and was its Education Committee Chair in 2017. Judge Bailey served as the president of the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges from 2020-21 and as the chair of the National Conference of Federal Trial Judges of the American Bar Association from 2016-17. He also served as the Judicial Member at Large of the ABA Board of Governors, a member of the ABA Executive Committee, a member of the ABA House of Delegates, and recently as the chair of the board Committee on the Profession, Public Service and Diversity. 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.

Patricia J. Ballard is an attorney with Preti, Flaherty, Beliveau & Pachios, Chtd., LLP's Real Estate and Finance and Corporate and M&A practice groups in the firm's Concord, N.H., office. She has a wide range of experience advising business and banking clients on creditors' rights issues, including secured and unsecured lending, collections and bankruptcy. Ms. Ballard counsels chapter 7 trustees in asset recovery and the avoidance of preferential transfers, and has represented numerous banks and other creditors in bankruptcy proceedings and state law collection cases. She also has experience representing corporate clients on transactional and corporate matters, including mergers and acquisitions, asset-purchases and corporate governance issues. In addition, she has background in advising government clients on matters ranging from government investigations and audits to compliance with open meetings and open records laws. Prior to re-joining Preti Flaherty, Ms. Ballard practiced in the areas of bankruptcy and creditors' rights at a law firm in Lexington, Ky. She received her undergraduate degree from Merrimack College and her J.D. from Boston College Law School.

Hon. Lisa G. Beckerman is a U.S. Bankruptcy Judge, sworn in on Feb. 26, 2021. From May 1999 until she was appointed to the bench, she was a partner in the financial restructuring group at Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP. From September 1989 until May 1999, she was an associate and then a partner in the bankruptcy group at Stroock & Stroock & Lavan LLP. Prior to her appointment, Judge Beckerman served as a co-chair of the Executive Committee of UJA-Federation of New York's Bankruptcy and Reorganization Group, as co-chair and as a member of the Advisory Board of ABI's New York City Bankruptcy Conference, and as a member of ABI's Board of Directors of from 2013-19. She is a Fellow and a member of the board of directors of the American College of Bankruptcy and a member of the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges (NCBJ) and the 2021 NCBJ Education Committee. She also is a member of the Dean's Advisory Board for Boston University School of Law. Judge Beckerman received her A.B. from University of Chicago in 1984, her M.B.A. from the University of Texas in 1986 and her J.D. from Boston University in 1989.

Hon. Janet E. Bostwick is a U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the District of Massachusetts in Boston, appointed on Sept. 27, 2019. Prior to her appointment, she practiced as a bankruptcy attorney with more than 30 years of experience with financially troubled companies, dealing with chapter 11 business reorganizations, liquidations and wind-downs, loan workouts and creditor negotiations. From 2001-19, Judge Bostwick practiced at her own firm, Janet E. Bostwick, PC, which focused on busi-

ness bankruptcy and restructuring. Before launching her firm, she practiced at the Boston firms of Goldstein & Manello, PC and Sherin and Lodgen, LLP. During her career, Judge Bostwick has been active in professional and bar associations and is a member of the Boston Bar Association, the American Bar Association and ABI. In 2007, she became a Fellow of the American College of Bankruptcy. She serves as a director of the American College of Bankruptcy and serves on its Pro Bono Committee. Judge Bostwick is actively involved in other professional organizations and frequently lectures on bankruptcy topics. She is a member of the American Bar Association, for which she serves as co-chair of the Administration and Courts Subcommittee of the its Business Bankruptcy Law Committee. She also is a member of the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges, for which she serves on its Membership and Next Generation Committees. Judge Bostwick is a longstanding member of the International Women's Insolvency & Restructuring Confederation (IWIRC) and she served its IWIRC Chair (2002-04) and as a director. She also is the founding chair of the IWIRC-New England Network. Judge Bostwick received her B.A. in economics and mathematics from the State University of New York at Albany and her J.D. from Cornell Law School.

David R. Campbell is a managing director with Getzler Henrich & Associates LLC in Chicago. He is a health care finance professional with more than 25 years of investment banking, restructuring and asset-management experience, having worked across almost every health care subsector, including physician practice groups, acute-care hospitals, behavioral health, senior living and pharma. Mr. Campbell has been called upon by management teams, private-equity sponsors and institutional investors to provide expertise in multiple roles, including CEO, CFO, board member and strategic advisor. He also works with companies to evaluate cost structures, strategic directions and operations to ensure the most cost-efficient and clinically optimal delivery of services. Mr. Campbell is known as a financially focused industry professional with expertise in creating and executing strategies that maximize stakeholder value throughout a company's lifecycles, from pre-acquisition to investment exit. He has experience with in- and out-of-court restructurings and recapitalizations, M&A and divestiture initiatives. Mr. Campbell works with some of the largest private-equity firms in the U.S., as well as banks, family offices and commercial lenders. His functional expertise includes special-situation strategies, financial and due diligence, and capitalization initiatives. Mr. Campbell currently serves as treasurer and chair of the Finance Committee of Heartland Health Centers, an FQHC located in Chicago that serves nearly 30,000 patients of lower and moderate income through both school-based and free-standing clinics. He received his B.A. from Boston University, his M.B.A. from the University of Chicago's Booth School of Business and a Master's degree from the University of Chicago's Harris School of Public Policy.

Christopher L. Carter is a partner with Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP in Boston and focuses his practice on cross-border insolvency matters, bankruptcy, complex litigation, and distressed-debt claims-trading matters. He has experience representing investors and lenders throughout the capital structure such as secured lenders, debtor-in-possession lenders and bondholder groups in all aspects of restructuring, including post-petition financing, claim and plan negotiations, adversary proceedings and settlements. Mr. Carter represents shareholders, bondholders, secured creditors, vendors and other participants in bankruptcy and workout matters. His work includes advising a group of holders of untendered Argentine sovereign bonds in connection with their *pari passu* rights and advising creditors in restructurings in Brazil, Mexico and Spain. Mr. Carter is a member of the American, Massachusetts and Boston Bar Associations. He received his B.A. in 2006 from Boston College and his J.D. in 2010 from Villanova University School of Law.

Hon. Peter G. Cary is Chief Bankruptcy Judge for the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Maine in Portland, initially 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 is the treasurer of the Maine State-Federal Judicial Council, an advisory director of the Nathan & Henry B. Cleaves Law Library and a member of the First Circuit Workplace Conduct Committee, and he is certified in both Consumer and Business Bankruptcy Law by the American Board of Certification. He also was an adjunct faculty member at the University of Maine School of Law. Judge Cary 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.

Daniel C. Cohn is a partner with Murtha Cullina LLP in Boston, where represents debtors in chapter 11 cases and out-of-court restructurings, and acquirers of distressed businesses, primarily in the middle market. He also represents directors, officers, equity sponsors, landlords, suppliers, creditors' committees, and parties in litigation related to troubled companies. A trained mediator, Mr. Cohn has served as an arbitrator, mediator and advocate in alternative dispute resolution proceedings in the insolvency context. He has received the highest ranking from *Chambers & Partners Directory of America's Leading Business Lawyers*, and is also listed in *The Best Lawyers in America* and in *Massachusetts Super Lawyers*. A Fellow in the American College of Bankruptcy, Mr. Cohn recently completed a four-year term as the college's leader in the First Circuit, and currently serves on the College's Policy and Senior Fellows Committees. He lectures frequently on cutting-edge bankruptcy issues for such organizations as the American College of Bankruptcy, ABI and Massachusetts Continuing Legal Education. Mr. Cohn is admitted to the Massachusetts Bar, the U.S. Supreme Court and the U.S. Courts of Appeals for the First and Third Circuits. He received his B.A. in 1975 from Yale University and his J.D. *cum laude* in 1978 from Cornell Law School, where he served as an editor of the *Cornell Law Review*.

Hon. Heather Zubke Cooper is the Chief U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the District of Vermont in Rutland. Prior to her appointment, she was a partner at Facey Goss & McPhee, P.C., a Vermont-based law firm. Judge Cooper has more than 20 years of experience in the financial and restructuring industry, having represented individual and corporate debtors and creditors in loan workouts and restructurings, liquidations, foreclosures, litigation, seizures and receiverships. She previously clerked for former bankruptcy judge Colleen A. Brown and practiced with Murphy & King, P.C. and Dunn, Kacal, Adams, Pappas & Law, P.C. Before entering private practice, Judge Cooper served as briefing attorney to Justice David L. Richards of the Texas Court of Appeals, Second District. She received her B.A. from the University of Houston in 1993 and her J.D. *magna cum laude* from South Texas College of Law in 1998.

Elisabeth O. da Silva, CPA, CFF is a partner in the Business Advisory practice of DGC in Boston and has nearly 30 years of experience conducting white-collar investigations and providing litigation consulting and expert-witness services in the context of complex commercial litigation for a wide variety of companies, ranging from small, privately owned businesses to large, multinational publicly traded entities. Ms. da Silva has directed numerous international high-profile investigations involving complex accounting rules, alleged accounting malfeasance, asset misappropriation/

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Brian Davies, CIRA is managing director of Capstone Partners in Boston and heads its financial advisory services (FAS) practice. He has approximately 20 years of professional experience in the fields of corporate recovery, business reorganization and interim-management services. Mr. Davies has provided financial advisory services to lenders, debtors, creditors' committees, trustees and equityholders in bankruptcy matters and out-of-court restructurings. He has provided assistance to under-performing businesses and potential acquirers of distressed assets/entities, and he has advised clients on general business issues. Mr. Davies also has advised and worked with financially distressed companies to develop cost-containment and asset-rationalization plans, improve liquidity, reengineer financial and other back-office functions, and enhance cash flow. His industry experience includes retail, security, e-commerce, real estate and housing, manufacturing, distribution, automotive, construction, hospitality, environmental testing laboratories, aviation, food/beverage, mining and health care. Mr. Davies has served as an operating partner in a leading global private-equity firm focused on management buyouts and recapitalizations of middle-market companies, as well as growth equity investments. His primary objective was managing all distressed/challenged operations of any portfolio company experiencing performance issues, liquidity concerns, covenant breaches, availability diminution, management voids and synergy attainment. Mr. Davies has served as an interim "C"-level manager, sat on the boards of portfolio companies, and partnered with deal teams on both buy- and sell-side diligence and negotiations, ensuring the portfolio companies are running efficiently and accreting maximum value through strategic planning, cost-cutting and operational assessments. While serving as a managing director and co-head of Mesirow Financial Consulting's New England Practice, Mr. Davies spearheaded national large-scale projects that ranged in size from \$10 million to over \$30 billion in total revenue, focusing on the overall turnaround of at-risk operations within diverse and industry-leading clientele platforms. He also coordinated on

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Aria Eee is executive director of Maine's Board of Overseers of the Bar in Augusta, Maine. Her primary responsibilities include assisting the Board in its fiduciary obligations, advising Maine lawyers on ethical concerns, and presenting legal education programs. Previously, Ms. Eee served as Maine's Bar Counsel and for several years in the Bar Counsel's office. She began her career as a NAPIL fel-

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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. He is also a member of the U.S. Bankruptcy Appellate Panel for the First Circuit, appointed in April 2016. Judge Fagone previously clerked for Associate Justices Leigh I. Saufley and Robert W. Clifford of the Maine Supreme Judicial Court. Following his clerkship, he joined Bernstein, Shur, Sawyer & Nelson in Portland, Maine, and was a member of its Business Restructuring and Insolvency Practice Group from 1998-2000, and from 2001-15, where he represented clients in bankruptcy cases and in out-of-court restructurings. While practicing law, Judge Fagone was recognized in *The Best Lawyers in America* and *Chambers USA* as one of the top bankruptcy lawyers in Maine. He is Board Certified in Business Bankruptcy Law by the American Board of Certification and served on the board of directors of the Nathan and Henry B. Cleaves Law Library, and on the board of directors of the Dyer/Library and Saco Museum. Judge Fagone currently serves on ABI's Board of Directors and volunteers with Credit Abuse Resistance Education (CARE), teaching students about the responsible use of credit and the dangers of credit abuse. He also has volunteered as a coach and an evaluator for Maine Law's teams in the Conrad B. Duberstein Moot Court Competition. Judge Fagone 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 mediator, arbitrator and referee/special master 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

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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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