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Marc E. Albert is a partner with Stinson LLP in Washington, D.C., and chairs its Bankruptcy and Creditors' Rights Group. He has concentrated over the past 35 years in the areas of financial restructuring, insolvency and creditors' rights. Mr. Albert has represented debtors, creditor committees, lenders and other creditors. He has been appointed by the Office of the U.S. Trustee as operating trustee in chapter 11 and 7 cases, and he has been on the Chapter 7 Trustee Panel in the District of Columbia for over 30 years. He also serves as counsel in a variety of bankruptcy and nonbankruptcy matters, including representing numerous clients who have tax problems with the Internal Revenue Service or state tax authorities. Prior to joining the firm, Mr. Albert was litigation counsel with the Tax Division of the Department of Justice. With three other attorneys, he started a boutique bankruptcy law firm that grew to become one of the leading bankruptcy firms in Northern Virginia. Mr. Albert maintains an AV rating from Martindale-Hubbell and is admitted to practice in Pennsylvania, the District of Columbia, Maryland and Virginia, and before the U.S. Supreme Court. He is a member of the District of Columbia, American and Virginia Bar Associations, and the Walter Chandler Inn of Court, National Association of Bankruptcy Trustees, ABI, World Affairs Council – Washing-

ton, D.C., and the George Washington University Law School Mentoring and Recruitment Program. He was recognized in 2015 with the Founders Award from World Affairs Council and is listed in *The Best Lawyers in America* from 2011-17 for Bankruptcy and Creditor/Debtor Rights/ Insolvency and Reorganization Law and Litigation-Bankruptcy, *Washington D.C. Super Lawyers* from 2012-17 for Bankruptcy & Creditor/Debtor Rights, and the 2015 edition of *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business* in Bankruptcy/Restructuring. Mr. Albert received his B.A. in 1970 and his J.D. in 1973 from George Washington University, and his M.L.T. in 1984 from Georgetown University.

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Hon. Janet S. Baer is a U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the Northern District of Illinois in Chicago, appointed on March 5, 2012. She also acts on a regular basis as the presiding judge in the Northern District of Illinois for naturalization ceremonies. Previously, Judge Baer was a restructuring lawyer for more than 25 years and was involved in some of the most significant chapter 11 bankruptcy cases in the country. The majority of her practice focused on the representation of large, publicly held debtors in both restructuring and chapter 11 matters, and she also represented companies in commercial litigation matters, including lender liability, fraud, breach of contract and breach of fiduciary duty. Prior to forming her own firm in 2009, Judge Baer was a partner at Kirkland & Ellis LLP, Winston & Strawn and Schwartz, Cooper, Greenberger & Krauss. She is a member of the ABI and NCBJ Boards of Directors, the CARE Advisory Board and the Chicago IWIRC Network Board, as well as several committees. She also is a frequent speaker for ABI, the ABA, the Chicago Bar Association, IWIRC and NCBJ, and she regularly acts as the presiding judge for the Northern District of Illinois in naturalization ceremonies. Judge Baer earned her B.A. from the University of Wisconsin - Madison and her J.D. from DePaul College of Law.

Hon. Martin R. Barash is a U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the Central District of California in Woodland Hills and Santa Barbara, sworn in on March 26, 2015. He brings more than 20 years of legal experience to the bench. Prior to his appointment, Judge Barash had been a partner at Klee, Tuchin, Bogdanoff & Stern LLP in Los Angeles since 2001, where he counseled parties in chapter 11 cases and litigated chapter 7 and chapter 11 bankruptcy cases. He first joined the firm as an associate in 1999. Earlier in his career, Judge Barash worked as an associate of Stutman, Treister & Glatt P.C. in Los Angeles. He also has served as an adjunct professor of law at California State University, Northridge. Following law school, Judge Barash clerked for Hon. Procter R. Hug, Jr. of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit from 1992-93. He is a former ABI Board member, for which he served on its Education Committee, and he is a former member of the Board of Governors of the Financial Lawyers Conference. In addition, he is a judicial director of the Los Angeles Bankruptcy Forum and a frequent panelist and lecturer on bankruptcy law. Judge Barash received his A.B. *magna cum laude* in 1989 from Princeton University and his J.D. in 1992 from the UCLA School of Law, where he served as member, editor, business manager and symposium editor of the *UCLA Law Review*.

Geoffrey L. Berman is a senior managing director with Development Specialists, Inc. in Los Angeles, which he joined in 1997. He served as ABI's president from April 2011 to April 2012 and previously served as ABI's Vice President-Publications, with oversight of the *ABI Journal* and other publication projects and a member of ABI's Executive and Management Committees. Mr. Berman chaired the Task Force on General Assignments and wrote the ABI manual on general assignments, *Assignments for the Benefit of Creditors: The ABCs of ABCs*, which is now in its fourth edition. In Addition, he authored an article published in the *ABI Law Review*. Mr. Berman brings over 40 years experience in the extension of secured and unsecured credit and the liquidation of numerous businesses. He has expertise in all types of insolvency case administrations with a specialty in the area of general assignments for the benefit of creditors (in various businesses and industries including wholesale seafood, retail auto parts, various manufacturing concerns, wholesale nursery operations and high-tech companies), and liquidating and creditor trusts under chapter 11 plans of reorganization. Mr. Berman is a certified mediator and serves on the Bankruptcy Mediation Panel for the Central District of California, as well as the Register of Mediators for the District of Delaware, and he has served as a Federal Court Receiver. He served as trustee of the USACM Liquidating Trust, the post-confirmation estate for USA Commercial Mortgage in Las Vegas. He also served as the

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Hon. Hannah L. Blumenstiel is a U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the Northern District of California in San Francisco. Prior to her appointment on Feb. 11, 2013, Judge Blumenstiel was an associate (2003-08) and then a partner (2008-12) with Winston & Strawn LLP, where she focused her practice on creditors' rights litigation in state and federal court, including bankruptcy court. From 2001 to 2003, Judge Blumenstiel was an associate with Murphy Sheneman Julian & Rogers LLP, where she represented debtors, creditors and trustees in bankruptcy cases and adversary proceedings. She served as a law clerk to Hon. Charles M. Caldwell of the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Ohio (Eastern Division) from 1998 to 2001, and from 1997-98, she represented the State of Ohio's interests in bankruptcy cases as an assistant attorney general with the Revenue Recovery Section of the Ohio Attorney General's Office. Judge Blumenstiel sits on ABI's Board of Directors. She received her J.D. from Capital University Law School in 1997 while working full-time for the Columbus Bar Association as director of its *pro bono* initiative, "Lawyers for Justice," and her B.A. from Ohio State University in 1992.

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Hon. Kevin J. Carey is a partner in Hogan Lovells US LLP's Business Restructuring and Insolvency practice in Philadelphia and is a retired bankruptcy judge. He represents both companies and creditors in domestic and cross-border bankruptcy proceedings. Judge Carey was first appointed to the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania in 2001, then in 2005 began service on the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (as chief judge from 2008-11). During that time, he authored more than 200 reported decisions, issued important rulings on key issues such as valuation, fiduciary duties and other complex chapter 11, confirmation issues, and presided over high-profile cases, including *Exide Technologies*, *Tribune Co.* and *New Century Financial*. Judge Carey is ABI's President-Elect and a Fellow of the American College of Bankruptcy. He also is member of the International Insolvency Institute and was the first judge to serve as global chair of the Turnaround Management Association. Judge Carey lectures worldwide on bankruptcy issues and is a contributing author to *Collier on Bankruptcy*. In addition, he is a part-time adjunct professor in the LL.M. in Bankruptcy program at St. John's University School of Law in New York City. Judge

Carey began his legal career in 1979 as law clerk to Bankruptcy Judge Thomas M. Twardowski, then served as clerk of court in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. He received his B.A. in 1976 from Pennsylvania State University and his J.D. in 1979 from Villanova University School of Law.

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Hon. Lori V. Vaughan is a U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the Middle District of Florida in Orlando, sworn in on Feb. 25, 2020. In moving to the bankruptcy court in Orlando, she returns to sit next to Hon. Karen S. Jennemann, with whom she started her career as a law clerk immediately out of law school. After her clerkship, Judge Vaughan practiced at two law firms. Most recently, she was a shareholder at Trenam Law in Tampa, Fla., and before that, she practiced at Foley & Lardner, the last year of which she spent practicing out of its New York office. Judge Vaughan previously served as president of the Tampa Bay Bankruptcy Bar Association, chair of the Bankruptcy/UCC Committee of the Florida Bar's Business Law Section, and board member for the International Women's Insolvency & Restructuring Confederation. She has also sat on the boards of the USF Financing Corp. and USF Property Corp. Judge Vaughan was recognized by *Florida Super Lawyers* as being among the top 100 Lawyers in Florida, the top 50 Lawyers in Tampa Bay and the top 50 Women Lawyers in Florida. She also has been recognized by *Chambers USA* and *The Best Lawyers in America*. Judge Vaughan received her B.A. with high honors from Eckerd College in 1995 and her J.D. with honors from the University of Florida, College of Law in 1998.

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