

Faculty Biographies

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Rudy J. Cerone is a member of McGlinchey Stafford, PLLC in New Orleans and a former chair and president of the American Board of Certification. A frequent lecturer on both business and complex consumer bankruptcy issues for more than 20 years, he also serves as ABI's Secretary, co-chaired ABI's Bankruptcy Litigation Committee from 2005-06 and chaired its Hospitality, Entertainment Venues and Gaming Subcommittee from 2001-05. He was also a member of ABI's Southwest Bankruptcy Conference Advisory Board from 2003-11. Mr. Cerone chaired the State Bar of California's Board of Legal Specialization from 2002-04 and is a member of the Federal Fifth Circuit and American Bar Associations (Business Law Section, Business Bankruptcy Committee and Secured Creditors' Subcommittee). He is Board Certified in Business Bankruptcy Law by the American Board of Certification (1993) and by the Louisiana State Bar Association (1997), and is also a Fellow of the American College of Bankruptcy. Mr. Cerone received his B.A. *summa cum laude* from the University of California at San Diego and his J.D. *cum laude* from Boston College Law School, where he was a member of the Order of the Coif and received a "Best Law Review Editor" award as executive editor of the *Boston College International & Comparative Law Review*.

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Hon. Mary Grace Diehl is a U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the Northern District of Georgia in Atlanta, appointed in February 2004. Prior to taking the bench, she was a partner in the litigation section of Troutman Sanders LLP and chaired its Bankruptcy Practice Group. Judge Diehl is president-elect of the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges, and serves on the Boards of Directors of ABI and the Turnaround Management Association. She is also a Fellow and vice president of the American College of Bankruptcy and a former president of the Southeastern Bankruptcy Law Institute. Judge Diehl received the Woman of the Year in Restructuring Award in 2008 from IWIRC (International Women in Restructuring Confederation) and is a regular speaker at CLE programs. She served as a trustee of Canisius College from 2008-14 and has been an adjunct professor of law at Emory Law School. Judge Diehl received her B.A. *summa cum laude* from Canisius College in Buffalo, N.Y., and her J.D. *cum laude* from Harvard Law School.

John M. Duck is a partner in the New Orleans office of Adams and Reese LLP, where he focuses his practice on complex corporate restructuring matters in both bankruptcy and nonbankruptcy contexts. For more than 35 years, he has advised and represented companies in commercial chapter 11 bankruptcy matters, including pre-bankruptcy and debtor-in-possession lenders, creditors and creditor committees, debtors, purchasers, lessors, franchisors and other constituent parties in the restructuring process. His bankruptcy work spans many industries, including oil and gas, manufacturing, maritime, gaming, commercial real estate, retail, shipbuilding, agri-business, franchise, pharmaceutical, chemical, construction, music and others. Mr. Duck has conducted numerous presentations and has written several articles on bankruptcy and restructuring law, and is consistently ranked as a leader in his field by organizations such as *Chambers USA*, *The Best Lawyers in America*, *Super Lawyers* and others. He received his B.S. from the University of Southern Mississippi in 1977 and his J.D. from Tulane University Law School in 1980.

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