



United States Bankruptcy Court, Northern District of Ohio
Attorney Constituent Group
Bench-Bar Retreat - October 14, 2022
Sawmill Creek by Cedar Point Resorts, Huron, Ohio
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10:00 A.M. – 10:45 A.M.

Concurrent Session I - Bankruptcy 101/Best Practices
[\[North Hall \(Orchid & Daylily\)\]](#)

Moderator: Keith L. Borders, Esq.

Panelists:

The Honorable Tiiara N.A. Patton
United States Bankruptcy Court, Northern District of Ohio
(Youngstown)

Keith L. Borders, Esq.
Partner
Borders & Gerace, LLC
(Debtor's Counsel) (Cleveland)

Bruce Comly French, Esq.
Partner
French Law Office
Chapter 7 Trustee (Toledo)

Cynthia A. Jeffrey, Esq.
Director of Bankruptcy
Keith D. Weiner & Assoc., L.P.A.
(Creditor Counsel) (Akron)

Dynele L. Schinker-Kuharich, Esq.
Standing Chapter 13 Trustee
Office of the Chapter 13 Trustee (Canton)

10:00 A.M. – 10:45 A.M.

Concurrent Session II - Subchapter V
(Almost) Three Years Later: Was a Good Idea Good in Practice?
[\[The Lodge, 2nd Floor - Great Lakes Hall \(Huron & Erie\)\]](#)

Moderator: Rocco I. Debitetto, Esq.
Partner
Chair, Business Practice Area
Hahn Loeser

Panelists:

Kate M. Bradley, Esq.
Trial Attorney
Office of the United States Trustee, Region 9, Cleveland

Patricia Fugée, Esq.
Partner
Chair, Bankruptcy, Financial Restructuring & Reorganization
FisherBroyles
(Trustee Perspective)

Frederic P. Schwieg, Esq.
Managing Attorney
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(Debtor Perspective)



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10:45 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.	Break
11:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.	Town Hall Meetings Akron, Canton, Cleveland, Toledo, Youngstown Akron [The Lodge, 2nd Floor - Woodlily] The Honorable Alan M. Koschik Canton [The Lodge, 2nd Floor - Dogwood] The Honorable Mary Ann Whipple / Chief Judge Cleveland [North Hall (Orchid & Daylily)] The Honorable Arthur I. Harris Toledo [The Lodge, 2nd Floor - Great Lakes Hall (Huron & Erie)] The Honorable John P. Gustafson Youngstown [The Lodge, 2nd Floor - Honeybell] The Honorable Tiiara N.A. Patton
12:00 P.M. – 1:15 P.M.	Lunch [South Hall]
12:30 P.M. – 1:15 P.M.	Keynote Address - Cryptocurrency [South Hall] Matt Beckwith Forensic Accountant Federal Bureau of Investigation
1:15 P.M. – 1:30 P.M.	Break



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1:30 P.M. – 2:15 P.M.

Concurrent Session A

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Mortgage Foreclosures & Loan Modifications

Moderator: Phyllis A. Ulrich, Esq.

Panelists:

Patrick D. Miller, Esq.
Associate Attorney
Luftman, Heck & Associates LLP
(Debtor's Counsel)

Beth Ann Schenz, Esq.
Senior Vice President, Default Servicing Director and Counsel
Huntington National Bank
(Bank Counsel)

Phyllis A. Ulrich, Esq.
Partner
Carlisle, McNellie, Rini, Kramer & Ulrich Co., LPA
(Creditor's Counsel)

1:30 P.M. – 2:15 P.M.

Concurrent Session B

[\[North Hall \(Orchid & Daylily\)\]](#)

Single Asset Real Estate Seeks Chapter 11 Engagement

Moderator: Chrysanthe E. Vassiles, Esq.
Partner
Co-Coordinator - Business/Commercial Practice Areas
Black, McCuskey, Souers & Arbaugh LPA

Panelists:

Scott R. Belhorn, Esq.
Trial Attorney
U.S. Department of Justice
Office of the United States Trustee, Region 9, Cleveland

Michael A. Steel, Esq.
Attorney
Steel & Company Law Firm
(Debtor Representative)

Robert M. Stefancin, Esq.
Partner
Whitmer & Ehrman LLC
(Creditor Representative)

2:15 P.M. – 2:30 P.M.

Break



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2:30 P.M. – 3:15 P.M.

Session 2 - State & Federal Taxes
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Panelists:

Robert L. Doty, Esq.
Senior Assistant Attorney General
Office of Ohio Attorney General Dave Yost

Suzana K. Koch, Esq.
Assistant U.S. Attorney
Office of the U.S. Attorney
Financial Litigation Program, Northern District of Ohio
U.S. Department of Justice

3:15 P.M. – 3:30 P.M.

Break

3:30 P.M. – 4:30 P.M.

Judges' Panel
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The Honorable Mary Ann Whipple / Chief Judge
The Honorable Arthur I. Harris
The Honorable John P. Gustafson
The Honorable Alan M. Koschik
The Honorable Tiiara N.A. Patton