

ARIZONA CONSUMER BANKRUPTCY COUNSEL

ACBC IS VERY EXCITED TO ANNOUNCE THE RELEASE OF ITS PREMIER BANKRUPTCY 101 SERIES TO THE LEGAL COMMUNITY!

Guest speaker: Judge Daniel Collins

On September 19th, ACBC was excited to host Bankruptcy Judge, Daniel P Collins at our final Bankruptcy 101 program.



Bio: DANIEL P. COLLINS was appointed a Judge of the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Arizona, effective as of January 18, 2013. He became the Chief Bankruptcy Judge for the District of Arizona on March 17, 2014. Immediately prior to taking the bench, he was a shareholder of the law firm of Collins, May, Potenza, Baran & Gillespie, P.C., located in Phoenix, Arizona. He received a B.S. in finance and accounting (1980) and J.D. (1983) from the University of Arizona. He started his legal career with the law firm of Rawlins, Burrus, Lewkowitz & Feinstein, P.C., practicing primarily in the areas of bankruptcy, commercial litigation and commercial transactions. Dan served on the State Bar of Arizona Subcommittee on the Uniform Fraudulent Transfer Act. He served as chairman of the Bankruptcy Section of the State of Arizona and was a Lawyer Representative to the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals. He was granted the St. Thomas More Award in 2017. Dan is presently an At Large Governor of the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges, a member of the Board of Directors of the American Bankruptcy Institute, on the Board of the Phoenix Chapter of the Federal Bar Association and is a member of the University of Arizona Law School's Board of Visitors. He is a member of the Arizona Bankruptcy American Inn of Court, State Bar of Arizona, and Maricopa County Bar. Dan and his wife raise their 5 children in Phoenix.



Bankruptcy 101, Series of 10 programs

ACBC created this series of ten presentations to assist consumer bankruptcy attorneys through everyday issues.

The (free!) recordings can be found here:

Free YouTube Recordings

<u>Session #1</u> - **James Kahn**, "I Can't Believe Creditors Can Do That! How Does Bankruptcy Help?" Policy & History, enforcing claims, provisional remedies, community property, exemptions (all pre-bankruptcy matters).

<u>Session #2</u> - **Scott Hyder**, "*Bankruptcy – the Nitty-Gritties*" The Bankruptcy System. Code, Rules, dismissal, estate, exemptions, and much more.

<u>Session #3</u> - **Shawn Stone**, "What Are the Rules of the House?" Operating the Estate: United States Trustee, case trustee, 341 meetings, executory contracts, and collecting estate assets.

Diane Drain, "Preparing Your Client for Filing" Gathering documents, explaining the 341, exemptions, tax returns & refunds, bank account balances, need for signed documents, etc.

Session #4 Gary Stickell "Why Isn't Everyone Treated Faual?" Claims: secured priority

<u>Session #4</u>, **Gary Stickell**, "Why Isn't Everyone Treated Equal?" Claims: secured, priority unsecured, and distribution to creditors. Plus, an attorney's responsibility to review claims. **Patricia Doyle-Kossick**, "A Creditor's Prospective" Stay relief, etc.

<u>Session #5</u> - **Harold Campbell**, "How and When Will This Bankruptcy Be Over?" Discharge, exceptions to discharge, reaffirmation, and post-discharge issues for clients.

Session #6 - Larry Karandreas & Brian Spector, "Can Bankruptcy Get Even More Complicated?" Chapter 13 & Chapter 11 (very brief mention of Chapters 12 and 15).

<u>Session #7</u> - **Andrea Wimmer**, "What is Really Going on Behind the Curtain? Bankruptcy court operations, ECF, practical tips dealing with staff, appeals, and volunteer opportunities.

<u>Session #8</u> – **Jim Christy and Claude Ducloux**, "If you Build It, They will (Not) Come: Understand the client Buying Journey" and "The Ethical Secrets to Strong and Effective Client Relations". A great session on marketing and ethical issues.

<u>Session #9</u> - **Diane Drain & Andrea Wimmer**, "How Complicated Can It Really Be to Operate a Law Firm?" Running a small office, including marketing & SEO.

<u>Session #10</u> - **Michael Thrall**, "State v Federal: Which Law Controls?" Ending with a panel discussion with Judge Collins and several of our prior presenters.