

Fifth Circuit Bankruptcy Bench-Bar Conference

New Orleans, Louisiana

February 5-7, 2020

Schedule

Wednesday, February 5

5:30-7:00 P.M. Reception (and Early Registration) at the Hotel (JW Marriott New Orleans)

Thursday, February 6

8:00 A.M. Registration

8:15 State By State Breakfasts, with a moderated discussion as part of each breakfast (30 minutes of CLE)

Louisiana: Judge Robert Summerhays, Lucy G. Sikes, and Brooke Altazan

Mississippi: Judge Neil P. Olack, Rosamond Posey, and Tylvester Goss

Texas: Judge Stacey G. Jernigan, Demetra Liggins, and Jason Binford

9:30 Welcoming Remarks

Judge Stacey G. Jernigan, Judge Neil P. Olack, and Judge Robert Summerhays

9:45 Plenary Session – Ethics

Professional Fees & Benefit To The Estate

Michael P. Richman, Judge Jason D. Woodward, and Bill Greendyke

10:45 Break (and move into Breakout Sessions)

11:00 First Breakout Sessions

- Challenging Issues In Healthcare Bankruptcies

Thomas R. Califano, Karen G. Nicolaou, Chris Maddux, and Paul Rundell

- **No Money Down Chapter 13 Plans – A Benefit Or Detriment To Debtors?**

Moderator: Judge John Kolwe

Panelists: Bradley L. Drell, Professor Pamela Foohey, and Professor Deborah Thorne

12:00

Hosted Lunch

Announcement of the recipients of the Michelle Mendez Award

Luncheon Presentation TBA

1:30

Break (and move into Breakout Sessions)

1:45

Second Breakout Sessions

- **Controversial Chapter 11 Plan Provisions**

Paul E. Heath, Ronit Berkovich, and Deborah Perry

- **Seniors In Bankruptcy**

Judge Katharine M. Samson, Dwayne Murray,

Professor Deborah Thorne, and Professor Pamela Foohey

3:15

Break (to move back to Plenary)

3:30

Plenary Session – The Latest Developments On Arbitration In Bankruptcy

Moderator: Judge Ronald B. King

Panelists: Judge Eduardo V. Rodriguez and Vickie L. Driver

4:15

Break

4:30

Plenary Session – Supreme Court Update

Professor John M. Czarnetzky, Judge Marvin Isgur, and Cherie Nobles

5:30

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5:30 – 6:30

Reception at the Hotel – Drinks & small bites

7:30 – 9:30 **Optional party at Pat O's On The River – Drinks & heavy hors d'oeuvres (Bring your umbrellas in case it rains on the walk!)**

Friday, February 7

8:30 A.M. **Networking Continental Breakfast**

9:00 **Plenary Session – Introducing The New Judges**
Judge Meredith S. Grabill, Judge John S. Hodge, Judge Christopher M. Lopez, Judge Selene D. Maddox, Judge Edward L. Morris, and Judge Stephen D. Wheelis

10:00 **Break (and move into breakout sessions)**

10:05 **Third Breakout Sessions**

- **What's Wrong With Chapter 11?**
Professor Charles J. Tabb, R. Patrick Vance, and Shari L. Heyen

- **Applying Objective Reasonableness: The Many Questions That Remain After *Taggart v. Lorenzen***
Louis Phillips, Behrooz P. Vida, and Rudy Cerrone

11:20 **Break (to move back to Plenary)**

11:30 **Plenary Session – Good Faith In The Filing Of Involuntary Bankruptcy Cases**
Moderator: Judge Mark X. Mullin
Panelists: Doug Noble and Rakhee Patel

12:30 P.M. **Concluding Remarks & Adjournment**