

18TH ANNUAL NEW ENGLAND CONFERENCE
Bankruptcy Law 2016



Cutting-edge consumer and business bankruptcy issues

MCLE's flagship *18th Annual New England Bankruptcy Law Conference* features a Judicial Panel of six bankruptcy judges from the Districts of Massachusetts and Maine, as well as leading practitioners analyzing the latest developments and trends affecting both business and consumer bankruptcy practice. Hear the judges address a number of recent developments in bankruptcy law and practice around the country. The four breakout sessions further enrich the conversation, featuring a range of important topics, including: challenging mortgages in bankruptcy, retail bankruptcies, pre-bankruptcy planning, and the intersection of the

Bankruptcy Code and the UCC. Customize the *Conference* to fit your interests by choosing the sessions that fit your needs and practice. Get valuable perspective that only experience—and the *Conference*—can provide. Your time is valuable; let MCLE's distinguished panelists quickly bring you up to speed.

AGENDA

- 1:00 – 1:05 P.M. **Welcome & Introduction**
- 1:05 – 2:35 P.M. **Breakout Session I (choose one)**
CONSUMER: Mortgage Avoidance Update (webcast)
 Explore the current state of Massachusetts law on challenges by trustees and debtors to mortgages recorded with defective certificates of acknowledgment. Hear the panel discuss the trustee's avoidance powers, defenses to avoidance, and how to address the resulting title issues.
BUSINESS: Retail Bankruptcies
 Retail bankruptcies are up, with Sports Authority, Aeropostale, Pacific Sun, and other retailers having filed in 2016 alone. Explore key issues facing multiple constituents in a retailer's Chapter 11, including an often expedited sale process, store closing sales, treatment of leases, and the impact of debtor-in-possession financing on various constituencies.
- 2:35 – 2:45 P.M. **Networking & Refreshment Break**
- 2:45 – 4:15 P.M. **JUDICIAL PANEL: Cutting-Edge Issues Viewed from the Bench**
- 4:15 – 4:30 P.M. **Networking & Refreshment Break**
- 4:30 – 6:00 P.M. **Breakout Session II (choose one)**
CONSUMER: Pre-Bankruptcy Planning—Best Practices and Traps (webcast)
 Explore the benefits and dangers of pre-bankruptcy exemption planning, including the homestead and other exemptions, converting assets into exempt assets, and the impact of the Supreme Court's decision in *Husky International Electronics, Inc. v. Ritz*.
BUSINESS: When Codes Collide—The UCC, and Other Statutes, Meet the Bankruptcy Code
 Explore the intersection of the Bankruptcy Code with other statutory schemes governing commercial relationships, and how they impact security interests and other liens, consignment rights, reclamation, and other interests when one party files for bankruptcy protection.
- 6:00 – 6:30 P.M. **Networking Reception for Faculty & Registrants**

Featuring Six Bankruptcy Court Judges from New England

- Hon. Frank J. Bailey,
U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Boston
- Hon. Peter G. Cary
Chief Judge, U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Portland, ME
- Hon. Michael A. Fagone,
U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Portland, ME
- Hon. Joan N. Feeny
U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Boston
- Hon. Melvin S. Hoffman
Chief Judge, U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Boston
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U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Worcester

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 Wednesday, November 16, 2016
 MCLE Conference Center,
 10 Winter Place, via Winter Street
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