

THE CAPITAL REGION BANKRUPTCY BAR ASSOCIATION AND THE
CENTRAL NEW YORK BANKRUPTCY BAR ASSOCIATION PRESENT THEIR

FOURTEENTH ANNUAL BANKRUPTCY CONFERENCE

THE GIDEON PUTNAM
RESORT
SARATOGA SPRINGS, NY

NOVEMBER 6-7, 2009

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DEADLINE:

OCTOBER 1, 2009

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REGISTER EARLY!
SPACE IS LIMITED!



Dear Colleagues:

It is my pleasure to serve as Program Chair for the Fourteenth Annual Bankruptcy Conference co-sponsored by the Capital Region Bankruptcy Bar Association and the Central New York Bankruptcy Bar Association. As we experience the fourth anniversary of BAP-CPA, the areas of real controversy generated by the new law are becoming more evident. This year's Conference features a nationally renowned group of experts who will focus your attention on these areas. We hope you will join us at the world class Gideon Putnam Resort in Saratoga Springs, New York on November 6-7, 2009. We look forward to seeing you.

*Robert E. Littlefield, Jr.
Chief U.S. Bankruptcy Judge
Northern District of New York
Program Chair*

Registration Instructions

Hotel Reservations:

Hotel Reservations should be made directly with the Gideon Putnam utilizing the enclosed Hotel Registration form. Please ensure that you receive a confirmation directly from the Gideon Putnam once you have forwarded your registration.

Conference registration:

Conference registration is made through the Capital Region Bankruptcy Bar Association. Please note that registration for the Conference is separate from your Hotel Reservation. All checks for Conference Registration should be made payable to "CRBBA" and should be mailed to: Capital Region Bankruptcy Bar Association, Attn: Conference Registration, c/o William Schiller, Esq., Schiller & Knapp, LLP, 950 New Loudon Road, Latham, New York 12110

Please be sure to include:

1. Conference registration check
2. Registration Option box checked
3. Meal Choice checked
3. Name, address, phone number and e-mail address

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

The Central New York Bankruptcy Bar Association and the Capital Region Bankruptcy Bar Association are seeking nominations for the **2009 Nicholas S. Priore Advocacy and Professionalism Award**. This award is presented to a bankruptcy attorney practicing in the Northern District of New York who demonstrates skilled advocacy on behalf of clients, while maintaining a spirit of collegiality and professionalism. The award will be presented at the Annual Conference in November.

Nominations should provide basic background information concerning the nominee, along with a brief explanation as to why the nominee should be considered for the award. The recipient will be selected by the presidents of the CNYBBA and CRBBA, in conjunction with the law firm of Getnick Livingston Atkinson Gigliotti and Priore, LLP. Nominations should be submitted in writing to Patrick G. Radel, Esq., 258 Genesee Street, Suite 401, Utica, New York 13502, or by e-mail to pradel@glagplawfirm.com and must be received no later than **October 1, 2009**.

Capital Region and Central New York Bankruptcy Bar Associations

2009 Annual Conference

Gideon Putnam Hotel Reservation Form

Please fax or mail for receipt by October 1st

- **Facsimile:** (518-583-2832)
- **Mail:** Gideon Putnam Resort – Reservations
24 Gideon Putnam Way, Saratoga Springs, NY 12866

Overflow reservations will be arranged at Saratoga Hilton Garden Inn

(You will be notified if your reservation is at the Garden Inn).

Accommodations:

Available Thursday and/or Saturday - Standard Deluxe Room only:

\$139 plus 13% tax (\$157.07)/night

CRBBA/CYNBBA Conference Package (Friday, November 6th)*:

Single: \$302 / Double: \$447

- Accommodations include one night Standard Deluxe Room on November 6th, Full buffet Lunch and Four Course Dinner; Nov 7th: Full Buffet Breakfast and Full Buffet Lunch.

(All taxes and gratuities included)

PLEASE MENTION GIDEON PUTNAM CODE 9N12MU WHEN MAKING RESERVATIONS.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Fax _____

E-mail: _____

Accommodations requested (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY):

Thursday, November 5th (Room only \$139 plus tax = \$157.07) _____

Friday, November 6th (Conference package) ___ single (\$302) / ___ double (\$447)

Saturday, November 7th (Room only \$139 plus tax = \$157.07) _____

**FOURTEENTH ANNUAL BANKRUPTCY CONFERENCE
PROGRAM AGENDA**

FRIDAY, NOV. 6, 2009

11:00am - 12:30 pm

Registration

11:45 am - 12:45 pm

Lunch Buffet

12:45 pm - 1:00 pm

Welcome

*Hon. Robert E. Littlefield, Jr., Chief Judge
U. S. Bankruptcy Court, N.D.N.Y. (Albany)*

1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Modification of Mortgages –What’s Possible?

Federal programs regarding mortgage modifications and modifying mortgages in and out of bankruptcy

Hon. Raymond Lyons

U. S. Bankruptcy Court, D.N.J.

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Concurrent Sessions

A. Recent Developments for the Chapter 11 Practitioner

*Melanie Cyganowski, Esq.
Otterburg, Steindler, Houston & Rosen, PC
New York, NY
Robin Phelan, Esq.
Haynes and Boone, Dallas, TX*

B. Chapter 11 for the Consumer Practitioner

Representing the want-to-be 13 client
*Francis Brennan, Esq.
Nolan & Heller, LLP, Albany, NY
Richard Weisz, Esq.
Hodgson Russ, LLP, Albany, NY*

3:00 pm - 3:15 pm

Coffee Break

3:15 - 4:15

Tax Issues and Traps in Consumer Cases

Dischargeability, paying tax debt in a Chapter

13 plan, and tax liens

*Gary Bluestein, Esq.
Bluestein & Muhlbauer, PC
Williamsville, NY
William J. Neild, Esq., Fairport, NY*

4:15pm - 5:15 pm

The New Wave of Litigation—

Preferences and Fraudulent Conveyances

Current issues and fundamental concepts you need to know in avoidance actions

*Hon. Mark W. Vaughn, Chief Judge
U.S. Bankruptcy Court, D.N.H.
Monica K. Gilroy, Esq.
Dickenson & Gilroy, Alpharetta, GA
Gregory Mascitti, Esq.
Nixon Peabody, LLP, Rochester, NY*

6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Cocktail Reception

7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Dinner

SATURDAY, NOV. 7, 2009

7:30 am - 8:30 am

Breakfast

7:30 am - 8:30 am

Joint Board Meeting

8:30 am - 9:20 am

Ethics and Civility: It’s Not Hard to Play Fair

Civility and ethical issues in everyday lawyering
*Hon. Margaret Cangilos-Ruiz
U.S. Bankruptcy Court, N.D.N.Y. (Syracuse)
Hon. Cecelia G. Morris
U.S. Bankruptcy Court, S.D.N.Y. (Poughkeepsie)*

9:20am -10:10 am

Liquidating Cases and Asset Disposition

The bankruptcy sale process
Melanie Cyganowski, Esq.

*Otterburg, Steindler, Houston & Rosen, PC
New York, NY*

Robin Phelan, Esq.

Haynes and Boone, Dallas, TX

10:10 am - 10:20 am

Coffee Break

10:20 am - 11:20 am

Hot Issues in Chapter 13 Post-BAPCPA

Treatment of pre-and post-petition mortgage arrears, issues in applying the Means Test, paying non-dischargeable debts, is there a required minimum plan payment amount

*Hon. Cecelia G. Morris
U.S. Bankruptcy Court, S.D.N.Y. (Poughkeepsie)
Jan Michael Sensenich, Esq.
Chapter 13 Trustee, Vermont
Mark Swimelar, Esq.
Chapter 13 Trustee, N.D.N.Y. (Syracuse/Utica)*

11:20 am - 12:30 pm

Lunch Buffet

12:30 pm - 1:30 pm

The War of the Roses vs. The War of the Debtors

The impact of bankruptcy on the financial aspects of a divorce, the role of a bankruptcy attorney in a matrimonial or family law case

*Melanie Cyganowski, Esq.
Otterburg, Steindler, Houston & Rosen, PC
New York, NY*

1:30 –2:30 pm

Ask the Judges—A Judicial Roundtable

*Hon. Margaret Cangilos-Ruiz
U.S. Bankruptcy Court, N.D.N.Y. (Syracuse)
Hon. Diane Davis
U.S. Bankruptcy Court, N.D.N.Y. (Utica)
Hon. Robert E. Littlefield, Jr., Chief Judge
U. S. Bankruptcy Court, N.D.N.Y. (Albany)
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2009 Annual Conference - November 6-7, 2009

Conference Registration Form

PLEASE SEE CONFERENCE OPTIONS ON FOLLOWING PAGE

Name: _____

Firm/Employer: _____

Business Address: _____

Business Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Spouse's name as it should appear on name tag: _____

1. Enclosed is my check in the amount of \$_____ for Conference registration Option _____.
2. **Important (Choose one):** I would like my membership dues portion of the registration fee (\$35.00) to be applied to my membership in:
_____ CRBBA (Capital Region) or _____ CNYBBA (Central New York)
3. Meal choice (for Friday evening dinner). Please list all dinner attendees by name and please list each attendee's dinner choice (see next page for choices):

Guest 1:

Entrée: _____

Guest 2:

Entrée: _____

Guest 3:

Entrée: _____

Guest 4:

Entrée: _____

Please list choices for all attendees.

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION OPTIONS

OPTIONS:

- A. Conference Registration (with hotel reservations to be made directly with the Gideon Putnam)*
- B. Conference Registration with meal choices (no hotel)*

FEEES:

\$275.00 on or before 9/15/09; \$305.00 after 9/15/09

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Add the following for meals you desire:

Lunch—Friday	\$ 22.00	_____
Dinner - Friday	\$ 60.00	_____
Breakfast—Saturday	\$ 20.00	_____
Lunch—Saturday	\$ 22.00	_____
All meals	\$124.00	_____

TOTAL: \$275.00 PLUS TOTAL OF MEALS: \$ _____

All taxes and gratuities included

*If you make a reservation to stay at the Hotel you should choose Option A, as your meals are included in your hotel room rate. Choose Option B if you are not staying at the Hotel and want all meals included with your registration fee.

MEAL CHOICES FOR FRIDAY EVENING DINNER

Entrees: Grilled Petite Filet and Maine Crab Cake, Lemon Herb Hotel Butter
Sautéed Breast of Chicken and Grilled Salmon
Vegetable Wellington, Fire Roasted Tomato Sauce

REMINDERS

- HOTEL REGISTRATION MUST BE MADE DIRECTLY WITH THE GIDEON PUTNAM**
- ROOMS ARE AVAILABLE ON A FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVED BASIS. REGISTRANTS CANNOT BE GUARANTEED A ROOM AFTER OCTOBER 5, 2009, OR ONCE THE ROOM BLOCK IS SOLD OUT. REGISTER NOW.**
- A HOTEL REGISTRATION FORM IS PROVIDED FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE.**

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PLEASE SEE BELOW FOR THE CLE CREDITS YOU WILL RECEIVE FOR ATTENDING THE CONFERENCE

DATE OF PROGRAM	TITLE OF CLE COURSE	TYPE OF CLE CREDIT	LOCATION OF CLE PROGRAM	SPEAKER
Nov. 6, 2009	Modification of Mortgages— What's Possible?	1 Credit Professional Practice	The Gideon Putnam Saratoga Springs, NY	Hon. Raymond Lyons
Nov. 6, 2009	Recent Developments for the Chapter 11 Practitioner	1 Credit Professional Practice	The Gideon Putnam Saratoga Springs, NY	Melanie Cyganowski, Esq. Robin Phelan, Esq.
Nov. 6, 2009	Chapter 11 for the Consumer Practitioner	1 Credit Professional Practice	The Gideon Putnam Saratoga Springs, NY	Francis Brennan, Esq. Richard Weisz, Esq.
Nov. 6, 2009	Tax Issues and Traps in Consumer Cases	1 Credit Professional Practice	The Gideon Putnam Saratoga Springs, NY	Gary Bluestein, Esq. William J. Neild, Esq.
Nov. 6, 2009	The New Wave of Litigation- Preferences and Fraudulent Conveyances	1 Credit Professional Practice	The Gideon Putnam Saratoga Springs, NY	Hon. Mark W. Vaughn Monica Gilroy, Esq. Gregory Mascitti, Esq.
Nov. 7, 2009	Ethics and Civility: It's Not Hard to Play Fair	1 Credit Ethics	The Gideon Putnam Saratoga Springs, NY	Hon. Margaret Cangilos-Ruiz Hon. Cecelia G. Morris
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Nov. 7, 2009	The War of the Roses vs. The War of the Debtors	1 Credit Professional Practice	The Gideon Putnam Saratoga Springs, NY	Melanie Cyganowski, Esq.
Nov. 7, 2009	Ask the Judges— A Judicial Roundtable	1 Credit Professional Practice		Hon. Margaret Cangilos-Ruiz Hon. Diane Davis Hon. Robert E. Littlefield, Jr. Hon. Raymond Lyons Hon. Cecelia G. Morris Hon. Mark W. Vaughn

SCHOLARSHIPS: The CRBBA acknowledges that in some instances there will be individuals who need to attend an educational seminar for CLE credit who are unable to pay full registration fees. In such instances, the attorneys or law students may apply for a discount or scholarship to attend the program. Consideration is based on financial hardship. The CRBBA will review applications on a case-by-case basis, and the discount will apply to the educational portion of the program only; meals and lodging will be the responsibility of the individual. To apply for a discount or scholarship, please send your request in writing on or before September 15, 2009 to: CRBBA-CLE Committee, c/o William Schiller, Schiller & Knapp, LLP, 950 New Loudon Road, Latham, New York 12110.

CANCELLATION POLICY: A full refund will be given for cancellations received before September 15, 2009. A \$50.00 cancellation penalty will be charged for cancellations received after September 15, 2009, but prior to October 15, 2009. No refunds will be given for cancellations received after October 15, 2009. Any requests for cancellation **must be faxed to William Schiller, Esq. at (518) 786-1246**. Please refer to the hotel's Reservation Department for its cancellation policy.