

After the Filing: Chapter 7 & 13

The speakers will provide you with insights and a guide to avoiding common mistakes that may only appear after a bankruptcy has been filed. Both Chapter 7 & 13 proceedings will be covered by the panelists. They will discuss the types of issues that arise during the meeting of creditors and during confirmation under Chapter 13, as well as pitfalls to avoid.

You will also have the opportunity to listen to the Honorable Diane Finkle share her observations and vision for effective representation.

This seminar is offered FREE OF CHARGE to all members of the Bar Association's Pro Bono Programs and to those who agree to join a pro bono program prior to attending.

All participants must agree to accept a pro bono bankruptcy case.

Topics

Panelists will address:

Chapter 7

- Pre-filing considerations: Does the client really need to file?
- Discharge and other red flags.
- Exemptions and Amendments: Choosing State vs. Federal exemptions. What trustees look for to contest an exemption, including unique assets such as personal injury claims, inheritances, life estates and annuities.
- How to handle documents and your client to avoid mishaps during or after the §341 meeting of creditors.
- Reaffirmations: Are they ever necessary?
- Repeat Filers: Does the automatic stay apply?

Chapter 13

- Chapter 13 Plan best practices.
- How a Chapter 13§341 differs.
- Important considerations when conferring with the trustee prior to confirmation.
- How tax refunds are handled.
- The Confirmation process.
- How to monitor your client's payments to the trustee and to secured creditors during the plan.
- Proofs of Claim: Monitoring and objecting to claims; Dealing with tax claims.

General Practice Tips

- How to handle hearings needed on an expedited basis: Emergency versus Expedited hearings.
- How to most effectively monitor the court docket: Court orders and other notices.

Speakers

Lisa A. Geremia, Esq

Chapter 7 Trustee, US Bankruptcy Court

John Boyajian, Esq.

Chapter 13 Trustee, US Bankruptcy Court

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Moderator

Hon. Diane Finkle

US Bankruptcy Court



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Thursday, September 12, 2019**

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You will receive an email confirmation of your registration.

**Please mail registration form to:
Volunteer Lawyer Program
Rhode Island Bar Association
41 Sharpe Drive
Cranston, RI 02920
or fax to 401-421-2703**

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Registration Details

DATE/ TIME/ PLACE

Session to be held at:

Rhode Island Law Center
41 Sharpe Drive, Cranston

**Thursday – September 12, 2019
(Lunch Available)**

1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
3.0 credits
(includes 0.5 ethics credits)

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You may call the Volunteer Lawyer Program /Foreclosure Prevention Project at the Rhode Island Bar Association 401-421-7758 or contact: Elisa King eking@ribar.com or John Ellis jellis@ribar.com. Please indicate on the registration form any special accommodation you may require or call us.

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