

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

TWENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL BANKRUPTCY CONFERENCE

TWO-DAY VIRTUAL CONFERENCE

NOVEMBER 4, 2021
12:30 PM–5:00 PM

NOVEMBER 5, 2021
12:00 PM–5:00 PM

CONFERENCE CO- CHAIRS

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Dear Colleagues:

It is impossible to underestimate the challenges we have all faced during the past 18 months. But the good news is, as we transition to fall, we have something to look forward to. I join our bankruptcy bar presidents in inviting you to join us virtually on November 4th and 5th, 2021 for our 25th Annual Conference! Our planning committee has been working diligently to make sure we go forward this year. The program includes a total of seven continuing legal education credits offered by esteemed academics, judges, and practitioners.

Please register now and join us in November. We look forward to “seeing” you soon!

Hon. Diane Davis
Chief United States Bankruptcy Judge, N.D.N.Y.

COST AND REGISTRATION

Cost

The cost for the 2021 Virtual Conference, including 7 CLE credits, is \$103.78. This amount includes the \$40.00 membership fee for either the Capital Region Bankruptcy Bar Association or the Central New York Bankruptcy Bar Association and the vendor processing fee. No other registration is required.

Conference Registration

Conference registration is online only, just click the link below.

[CLICK HERE](#) or you may copy and paste the address:

<https://checkout.square.site/merchant/11WE7J65F4M5D/checkout/WLRNZPVBOM2GFK42UXFK4XK>

Note: if you need to register for multiple people please email Amy Militi at amiliti@cnytrustee.com for a registration link.

Zoom link will be sent out to all registrants 48 hours prior to the conference, along with all materials and handouts.



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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2021

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2021

12:30 pm - 1:00 pm

Welcome

Hon. Diane Davis
Chief United States Bankruptcy Judge (N.D.N.Y.)

1:00 pm - 1:50 pm

A Review of Evidence for (Mostly) Transactional Bankruptcy Lawyers

Prof. James Kainen
Fordham University School of Law

1:50 pm - 2:05 pm

Coffee Break

2:05 pm - 2:55 pm

Perspectives, Reflections & Projections: The Small Business Reorganization Act:

Lawrence R. Ahern, III
Brown & Ahern Attorneys at Law

William A. Brandt, Jr.
Development Specialists, Inc.

2:55 pm - 3:10 pm

Coffee Break

3:10 pm - 4:00 pm

The Ethics of Persuasion: Convincing or Coercing—Where is the Line Drawn?

Prof. Patrick J. Long
University at Buffalo School of Law

4:00 pm - 4:15 pm

Nicholas S. Priore Advocacy & Professionalism Award

Patrick G. Radel, Esq.
Getnick Livingston Atkinson & Priore, LLP

4:15 pm - 5:00 pm

Social Hour

12:00 pm – 12:15 pm

Bar Presidents' Opening Remarks

Michael L. Boyle, Esq.
Boyle Legal, LLC

Peter A. Orville, Esq.
Orville & McDonald, P.C.

12:15 pm - 1:55 pm

Bankruptcy Litigation: Trends, Hot Topics & Practice Pointers

Hon. Colleen A. Brown
Chief United States Bankruptcy Judge (Vermont)

Hon. Frank J. Santoro
Chief United States Bankruptcy Judge (E.D.V.A.)

Hon. Sean H. Lane
United States Bankruptcy Judge (S.D.N.Y.)

Janice Grubin, Esq.
Barclay Damon, LLP

1:55 pm - 2:10 pm

Coffee Break

2:10 pm - 3:00 pm

Supreme Court Bound? Examining the Top 5 Circuit Splits That May Lead to the Supreme Court

C. Eric Brunstad, Jr.
Dechert LLP

3:00 pm - 3:10 pm

Coffee Break

3:10 pm - 4:00 pm

Prejudice, Partiality, Racism? Implicit Bias in our Legal Institutions

Prof. Christopher R. Riano
Columbia University School Professional Studies

Janice Grubin, Esq.
Barclay Damon, LLP

4:00 pm - 4:15 pm

Closing Remarks

Hon. Diane Davis
Chief United States Bankruptcy Judge (N.D.N.Y.)

4:15 pm - 5:00 pm

Social Hour



CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR THE
NICHOLAS S. PRIORE ADVOCACY AND PROFESSIONALISM AWARD

The Central New York Bankruptcy Bar Association and the Capital Region Bankruptcy Bar Association are seeking nominations for the **2021 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 virtual 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 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 email to pradel@getnicklivingston.com and must be received no later than **October 22, 2021**.



In memoriam—Nicholas S. Priore

PRIOR RECIPIENTS

The Central New York Bankruptcy Bar Association and the Capital Region Bankruptcy Bar Association recognize the following prior recipients of the Nicholas S. Priore Advocacy and Professionalism Award:

- 2008 – Patrick Radel*
- 2009 – William Schiller*
- 2010 – Michael Balanoff*
- 2011 – William McCarthy*
- 2012 – Wendy Kinsella*
- 2013 – Cynthia Platt*
- 2014 – Lee Woodard*
- 2015 – Zachary Primrose, in memoriam*
- 2016 – Paula Barbaruolo*
- 2017 – Mary Fangio*
- 2018 – Robert K. Weiler*
- 2019 - F. Matthew Jackson, in memoriam*

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FINANCIAL AID

CRBBA and CNYBBA acknowledge that in some instances there will be attorneys and law students who wish to attend our program, but who are unable to afford the cost of attendance. In such instances, the attorneys or law students may apply for a discount or financial aid to attend the program.

A written request describing the financial hardship is required and must be received no later than October 15, 2021. The CRBBA and CNYBBA will review requests on a case-by-case basis. If deemed appropriate, the CRBBA and CNYBBA may consider financial aid within the context on the following scale as funding permits:

Unemployed: Fee Waived

Income up to \$35,000: 75% discount

Income \$35,000 - \$50,000: 50% discount

Income above \$50,000: No discount

Please include your name, address, daytime phone and fax numbers, and e-mail address. A letter from your current employer confirming your anticipated current year earnings should be included with your submission. If you are currently unemployed or a law student, please include a personal statement confirming your current unemployment/student status with your submission. To apply for a discount or scholarship, send a written request to either the CRBBA President Michael L. Boyle, Esq. at mike@boylebankruptcy.com or the CNYBBA President Peter A. Orville, Esq. at peteropc@gmail.com. Requests must be received by **October 15, 2021** to be considered.

REFUND/CANCELLATION POLICY

Cancellations received prior to October 22, 2021 will be subject to a \$43.78 retention fee for bar membership fees and vendor processing fees. No refunds will be given for cancellations received after October 22, 2021. Any requests for cancellation must be e-mailed to **Laura Guzior** at lguzior@schillerknapp.com.