

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

# TWENTY-SECOND ANNUAL BANKRUPTCY CONFERENCE

THE OTESAGA RESORT  
HOTEL  
COOPERSTOWN, NY

OCTOBER 20-21, 2017

CONFERENCE CO-CHAIRS

CRBBA  
KATHY MCCULLOUGH DAY

CNYBBA  
KAREN MENTER LOWE  
CASEY A. JOHNSON

**EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT  
DEADLINE:**

**SEPTEMBER 22, 2017**

REGISTRATION CONTACT:  
BRETT DELANO

(518) 786-9069

BDELANO@SCHILLERKNAPP.COM

**REGISTER EARLY!  
SPACE IS LIMITED!**



Dear Colleagues:

Once again it is my distinct pleasure to join the Capital Region and Central New York Bankruptcy Bar Associations in inviting you to join us on October 20-21, 2017, at the historic and majestic Otesaga Resort Hotel in Cooperstown, New York. Our Annual Conference, now in its twenty-second year, offers a nationally-renowned faculty of judges, academics, and practitioners with plentiful opportunities for the bench and bar to mingle in a relaxed and picturesque setting. The Conference provides the perfect chance for renewing friendships and networking—while earning 10 CLE credits, including 2 ethics credits this year. So, do plan on joining us. We look forward to seeing you in Cooperstown!

Peg Cangilos-Ruiz  
Chief U.S. Bankruptcy Judge, N.D.N.Y.

# REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS

## Hotel Reservations:

Hotel Reservations should be made directly with The Otsega Resort Hotel utilizing the Hotel Registration Instructions sent with the brochure. Please ensure that you receive a confirmation directly from The Otsega once you have made your registration.

\* Rooms are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

## 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 with The Otsega. All checks for the 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. Conference Registration Form with registration option box checked and the registrant’s name, address, phone number, and email address; and
3. Bar Association Annual Registration Form and check for annual dues.



# CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM

2017 Annual Conference - October 20-21, 2017

## **OPTION A:**

If you make a reservation to stay at The Otesaga 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 Otesaga but want meals at The Otesaga included with your registration fee.

Member Rate	\$275.00 on or before 9/22/17	\$300.00 after 9/22/17
Non-Member Rate	\$350.00 on or before 9/22/17	\$375.00 after 9/22/17

## **OPTION B:**

Conference registration with meal choices (Not staying at The Otesaga)

Option A amount + \_\_\_\_\_(add total for meal choices below)= \_\_\_\_\_

Add to the above cost the following meals that you desire. Check meals desired (a meal card will be provided)

Lunch buffet - Friday	\$25.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dinner - Friday	\$75.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Breakfast - Saturday	\$20.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lunch - Saturday	\$25.00	<input type="checkbox"/>

## **OPTION C:**

Sorry, I cannot attend. I am enclosing Bar Association dues ONLY (use separate form provided) \$40.00

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Firm/Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse/Guest's name as it should appear on name tag: \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is my check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ for Conference registration Option \_\_\_\_\_.

## **BAR ASSOCIATION ANNUAL REGISTRATION FORM**

Membership in the Capital Region Bankruptcy Bar Association or the Central New York Bankruptcy Bar Association must be renewed annually. The prior year's membership expires on the day preceding the Annual Bankruptcy Conference. **In order to take advantage of the membership benefits, including the reduced Annual Conference rate, a membership application and separate dues check must accompany your seminar registration.**

- Membership Benefits:**
- Inclusion on mailing/email lists
  - Reduced pricing for Annual Conference and Association CLE programs and events
- Annual Dues:** \$40.00

**PLEASE RETURN THE PORTION BELOW WITH  
YOUR CHECK FOR YOUR ANNUAL DUES.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Firm/Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Business Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Check for \$40.00 enclosed payable to Bar Association of choice (see below)

Please apply my dues to my membership in (choose one):

\_\_\_\_\_ CRBBA - Capital Region Bankruptcy Bar Association

\_\_\_\_\_ CNYBBA - Central New York Bankruptcy Bar Association

# TWENTY-SECOND ANNUAL BANKRUPTCY CONFERENCE

## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2017

8:30 am - 10:00 am

### Registration

9:45 am - 10:00 am

### Welcome

Hon. Margaret Cangilos-Ruiz  
*Chief United States Bankruptcy Judge (N.D.N.Y.)*

10:00 am - 11:40 am

### Current Issues in Legal Ethics

Professor Stephen Gillers  
*New York University School of Law*

Professor Barbara S. Gillers  
*New York University School of Law*

11:40 am - 11:55 am

### Coffee Break

12:00 pm - 12:50 pm

### Safeguards and Pitfalls in Predicting Dischargeability of Taxes

Gary Bluestein, Esq.  
*Andreozzi Bluestein LLP*

12:50 pm - 2:05 pm

### Lunch Buffet

2:10 pm - 3:00 pm

### The Supreme Court's Decision in *Jevic*: its Impact on Chapter 11 Cases and Beyond

Hon. Carla E. Craig  
*Chief United States Bankruptcy Judge (E.D.N.Y.)*

Hon. Julie A. Manning  
*Chief United States Bankruptcy Judge (D. Conn.)*



3:05 pm – 3:55 pm

### Breakout Sessions (choose one):

#### A. Retirement and Succession Planning for the Small Practitioner

Guy A. Van Baalen, Esq.  
*Assistant United States Trustee (N.D.N.Y.)*

Anthony J. Gigliotti, Esq. and  
Mary E. Gasparini, Esq.  
*Principal Counsel, Attorney Grievance Committee, 5th  
Judicial District*

#### B. Attorney and Accountant Perspectives on Valuation Issues in Bankruptcy

Jennifer J. Lovell, CPA/A.B.V., C.V.A.,  
C.D.F.A. Firley, Moran, Freer & Eassa, C.P.A.,  
P.C.

Robert K. Weiler, Esq.  
*Bonsquet Holstein, PLLC*

3:55 pm - 4:10 pm

### Coffee Break

4:15 pm - 5:05 pm

### Legal Writing: Part II

Hon. Gerald Lebovits  
*Acting Supreme Court Justice, New York County*

6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

### Cocktail Reception

7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2017

### Dinner

7:30 am - 9:00 am

### Breakfast Buffet

8:00 am – 9:00 am

### Joint CRBBA/CNYBBA Board Meeting

9:00 am - 9:50 am

### Consumer Financial Protection Bureau: Update on What's Happening in D.C. and New Mortgage Rules

John Rao, Esq.  
*National Consumer Law Center*

9:50 am - 10:45 am

### The Anatomy of Trial—Preparation and Execution of Successful Trial Techniques

Hon. Mae A. D'Agostino  
*United States District Court Judge (N.D.N.Y.)*

10:45 am - 11:00 am

### Coffee Break

11:05 am - 11:55 am

### U.S. Supreme Court Updates

Dean Erwin Chemerinsky  
*Berkeley Law University of California*

11:55 am - 12:45 pm

### Ask the Judges Panel

12:45 pm - 1:00 pm

### Closing Remarks

Hon. Margaret Cangilos-Ruiz  
*Chief United States Bankruptcy Judge (N.D.N.Y.)*

1:00 pm – 2:15 pm

### Lunch Buffet



**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 **2017 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 October.

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](mailto:pradel@getnicklivingston.com) and must be received no later than **September 29, 2017**.



*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*

**CRBBA AND CNYBBA ARE ACCREDITED PROVIDERS OF TRANSITIONAL AND  
NONTRANSITIONAL CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION IN THE STATE OF NEW YORK**

**SCHOLARSHIPS**

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 scholarship to attend the program.

A written request describing the financial hardship is required and must be received no later than two (2) weeks prior to the CLE date. The CRBBA and CNYBBA will review requests 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. If deemed appropriate, the CRBBA and CNYBBA may consider scholarships 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, please include a personal statement confirming your current unemployment status with your submission. To apply for a discount or scholarship, send a written requests to either the sitting President of the CRBBA, Justin Myers, Esq. at [jmyers@pmblawpc.com](mailto:jmyers@pmblawpc.com) or the sitting President of CNYBBA, Karen Menter Lowe, Esq. at [kmenter@dolsonattorneys.com](mailto:kmenter@dolsonattorneys.com). Requests must be received by **October 6, 2017** to be considered.

**REFUND/CANCELLATION POLICY**

A full refund will be given for cancellations received before September 21, 2017. A \$50.00 cancellation penalty will be charged for cancellations received after September 21, 2017 but prior to September 29, 2017. No refunds will be given for cancellations received after September 29, 2017. 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.