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Annual  
**22<sup>nd</sup>**  
**Bankruptcy  
Skills  
Workshop**

**FRIDAY JUNE 8, 2012**  
**8 AM – 5 PM**

**Presentations by**  
**Judges, Clerk of Court,**  
**U.S. Chapter 7 & 13 Trustees,**  
**and Ethics Panel**

University of Miami School of Law

1311 Miller Drive, Room E-352, Coral Gables, Florida 33124



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Consumer bankruptcy cases continue to evolve with the ups and downs of our current economic climate. Being able to navigate the substantive and practical components of bankruptcy law, local rules and filing requirements in the Southern District of Florida are critical to providing the best, most effective service to your clients. The University of Miami and the Bankruptcy Bar of the Southern District of Florida, together with the Put Something Back Pro Bono Program, are pleased to present the 22nd Annual Bankruptcy Skills Workshop.

This year's Workshop will cover several topics which directly impact issues encountered every day in consumer bankruptcies. Such topics include a discussion of evidentiary considerations in lien stripping and collateral valuation issues, an in-depth look at frequently overlooked local rules and a preview of CM/ECF 5.0, expected out later this summer - just to name a few.

The Bankruptcy Skills Workshop is unique in that it includes a panel discussion by the Bankruptcy Judges from the Miami, Broward and Palm Beach divisions of the Southern District of Florida regarding their recent decisions. An in-depth summary of recent consumer cases in our District is also provided to all attendees for future reference. In addition, the Standing Chapter 13 Trustees, Chapter 7 Trustees, Clerk of Court, staff counsel of the Office of the United States Trustee, and experienced attorneys will provide practice pointers for debtor and creditor attorneys. Counsel for the Florida Bar will also discuss ethical considerations relevant to bankruptcy cases.

This year's Bankruptcy Skills Workshop provides new and experienced attorneys and their paralegal staff with an enhanced understanding of the specialized field of bankruptcy. The program is not-for-profit, and lunch and parking are included in the registration fee. Please join us on June 8, 2012 for the 22nd Annual Bankruptcy Skills Workshop.

## STEERING COMMITTEE

The Honorable A. Jay Cristol, Chief U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Emeritus,  
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## GENERAL INFORMATION

- Location:** The Twenty-Second Annual Bankruptcy Skills Workshop will be held at the University of Miami School of Law, Room E-352. The address is: 1311 Miller Drive, Coral Gables.
- Directions:** Take I-95 south, which feeds onto U.S. 1; continue south on U.S. 1 (about 5 miles). Turn right onto S. Alhambra Circle, and then turn left at Ponce de Leon Blvd. and continue straight to San Amaro Dr., turn right and continue straight, turn right at Miller Rd. Law School will be on the left, parking is on the right. A parking permit and your Registration Confirmation letter will be sent to you via e-mail and is included in your registration fee.
- Cancellation:** Written cancellations received by noon, May 14, 2012 (via mail or fax), will be honored and registration fees refunded, less a \$25.00 administrative fee.

### For Information and Special requirements:

Please call (305) 284-6276 or Email: [cle@law.miami.edu](mailto:cle@law.miami.edu)

Registration Fee Includes Lunch, Parking and Workshop Materials

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# PROGRAM

- 8:00 – 8:30 AM Registration
- 8:30 – 9:45 AM **Chapter 13 Panel Discussion**  
Panel discussion on objections and confirmation of Chapter 13 plans, adequacy of distribution to creditors, and post confirmation issues.  
**Featuring:** Chapter 13 Trustees for the Southern District of Florida: Nancy N. Herkert, Esq.; Robin F. Weiner, Esq.  
Counsel for Debtors and Creditors: Robert Meyer, Esq.; Mitchell Nowack, Esq.; Scott Weiss, Esq.  
**Moderated by D. Jean Ryan, Esq.**
- 9:45 – 10:00 AM **Credit Counseling**  
**Featuring:** Richard Garcia, 247 Bankruptcy Class, Inc., [www.a247class.com](http://www.a247class.com)
- 10:00 – 10:15 AM Coffee Break
- 10:15 AM – 12:00 PM **Bankruptcy Judges' View from the Bench Panel Discussion**  
**Featuring:** The Hon. Paul G. Hyman, Chief Judge; The Hon. A. Jay Cristol; The Hon. Erik P. Kimball; The Hon. Robert A. Mark; The Hon. John K. Olson; The Hon. Raymond B. Ray  
**Moderated by Patricia A. Redmond, Esq.**
- 12:00 – 12:45 PM Lunch – complimentary, provided to attendees
- 12:45 – 1:45 PM **Evidence in Contested Bankruptcy Valuations, Lien stripping and Collateral Valuation in Chapter 7 and Chapter 13 Cases Panel Discussion**  
Topics to include review of basic evidence and admissibility; how to use an expert at trial; factors trial courts use in assessing reliability and admissibility of evidence.  
**Featuring:** The Hon. A. Jay Cristol, Chief Judge Emeritus; Robert M. Fishman, Esq.; Michael Frank, Esq.; Gerald M. Kouri, Esq.  
**Moderated by: Joel A. Tabas, Esq.**
- 1:45 – 2:45 PM **From the Clerk's Office Perspective**  
A look at CM/ECF 5.0, frequently overlooked local rules, quality control by case administrators of e-filed documents, common e-filing deficiencies and a review of Guidelines for Preparing & Submitting Orders  
**Featuring:** Kathy Gould Feldman, Clerk of Court; Joe Falzone, Chief Deputy Clerk; and other operations staff
- 2:45 – 3:00 PM Break
- 3:00 – 4:00 PM **Chapter 7 Panel – Meet Three of the New Trustees**  
Panel discussion regarding preparing Chapter 7 cases for filing, and other miscellaneous issues.  
**Featuring:** Staff Attorney – Office of the United States Trustee Chapter 7 Trustees: Robert Angueira, Esq.; Scott Brown, Esq.; Ross Hartog, Esq.  
**Moderated by: Dan Gonzalez, Esq.**
- 4:00 – 5:00 PM **Ethics and Bankruptcy – Panel Discussion**  
Topics to include lack of adequate attorney communication, violation of client confidences, fraudulent conduct by clients, common trust accounting violations, and the unauthorized practice of law.  
**Featuring:** Arlene K. Sankel, Esq., Florida Bar Chief Branch Discipline Counsel; Carlos Ruga, Florida Bar Auditor  
**Moderated by: Barbara L. Phillips, Esq.**

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**REGISTER ONLINE** Ensure your spot, confirm your attendance online and take advantage of EARLY registration!  
**www.law.miami.edu/cle/bankruptcy**

For multiple registrations, please photocopy this form. Return the completed form with payment to:

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My enclosed check/charge in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ covers:

Registration Fees:  \$275  \$305  \$275  \$275  
Early Registration (by May 14, 2012) General Registration (After May 14, 2012) UM Alumni

I cannot attend the workshop, but please accept my contribution of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to the Louis Phillips Scholarship Fund.

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