

**Seventh Annual DePaul Business & Commercial Law Journal Symposium,
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Into the Sunset: Bankruptcy as Scriptwriter of the Dénouement of Financial Distress

**Thursday, April 16, 2009
10:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

**Westin Michigan Avenue
Chicago, Illinois**

For Better or Worse: Chapter 11 in the Post-BAPCPA Downturn

BAPCPA, the 2005 Bankruptcy Code overhaul, brought some significant changes to corporate reorganization, leading some to dub Chapter 11 as the "National Foreclosure Act." This panel will examine the myths and realities behind this description by focusing on the more sweeping BAPCPA amendments: time restrictions on assumption or rejection of commercial leases, the limited plan exclusivity period, 20-day administrative expense claims and the attempted reigning in of executive compensation.

Jo Ann Brighton, K&L Gates, Charlotte, NC; **Richard Mikels**, Mintz Levin, Boston, MA; **Judge Joy Flowers Conti**, U.S. District Court, Pittsburgh, PA

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A Fistful of Dollars: Hedge Funds, Private Equity and Bankruptcy

The presence of hedge funds and private equity in bankruptcy has become more prevalent in recent years, altering, sometimes dramatically, the outcome of troubled companies' reorganization efforts. In addition to exploring the impact of these non-traditional bankruptcy players, our experts will also discuss the latest twist—what happens when these entities themselves are threatened with insolvency.

Sandy Mayerson, Holland Knight, New York, NY; **Bradley Sharp**, Development Specialists, Inc., Los Angeles, CA; **Jeff Marwil**, Winston & Strawn, Chicago, IL

The Importance of Being Earnest: Bankruptcy's Disclosure Rules

Bankruptcy's transparent process begins with the disclosure requirements of Bankruptcy Rules 2014, 2016 and 2019. These rules require that certain professionals working in the bankruptcy system disclose their connections with a variety of entities, including their past or present engagements, their fee arrangements with their client in the case, the identity of clients, if more than one is represented, and more. This panel will discuss pertinent provisions of these important bankruptcy rules, highlighting what must be disclosed and the sometimes dire consequences that follow a failure to comply.

Steven Tobin, Shaw Gussis, Chicago, IL; **Daniel Zazove**, Berkins Coie, Chicago IL; **Judge Squires**, U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Chicago, IL

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