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## “Consumer Case Law Update”

### **Hon. William H. Brown (ret)**

William Houston Brown retired in 2006 as a United States Bankruptcy Judge for the Western District of Tennessee, and he served a four-year term on the Bankruptcy Appellate Panel for the Sixth Circuit from 1999 through 2002. He received his law degree from University of Tennessee College of Law, where he was Order of the Coif. Judge Brown is a member of the American Bankruptcy Institute, having served on its Board and Executive Committee, and he is a Fellow in the American College of Bankruptcy. He is the author or co-author of several texts, including Bankruptcy Exemption Manual, 2005 Bankruptcy Reform Legislation with Analysis 1st and 2d editions, Bankruptcy and Domestic Relations Manual, The Law of Debtors and Creditors, as well as bankruptcy form books, all published by Thomson Reuters. He is also a principal contributing editor for Norton Bankruptcy Law and Practice 3rd, published by Thomson Reuters. Judge Brown prepares a quarterly update of consumer cases for the Federal Judicial Center, which distributes those materials to all bankruptcy judges, and he is a speaker at the Federal Judicial Center's annual workshops for bankruptcy judges. He also speaks regularly at seminars throughout the United States. Judge Brown also acts as a mediator in bankruptcy-related disputes and has testified as an expert witness in bankruptcy court proceedings. In 2011, Judge Brown received the Excellence in Education award from the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges, and in 2012, he received the Judicial Excellence Award from the American Bankruptcy Institute and Thomson Reuters Publishing Company. He is currently the Editor and Adviser to the Academy for Consumer Bankruptcy Education, the education arm of the National Association of Chapter 13 Trustees, and he is a partner in Brown & Ahern, in Nashville, Tennessee. Judge Brown also served as the co-director of ABI's Commission on Consumer Bankruptcy, which issued its Report in April 2019.

### **Hon. D. Sims Crawford**

Judge D. Sims Crawford. Judge Crawford was appointed to serve as a United States Bankruptcy Judge for the Northern District of Alabama on September 1, 2016. Judge Crawford previously served as a Chapter 13 Standing Trustee in the Northern District of Alabama from 2004 until his appointment as a bankruptcy judge. Judge Crawford earned his B.A. from the University of Alabama and his J.D. from Cumberland School of Law at Samford University. He is currently a member of the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges, the American Bankruptcy Institute, and the Alabama State Bar, and he serves on the Codes of Conduct Committee for the Judicial Conference, as well as the Bankruptcy Judges Advisory Group (BJAG) and the Human Resources Advisory Council (HRAC), which provide advice to the Administrative Office of the United States Courts.

### **Hon. Brian Lynch**

Brian Lynch was sworn in as a United States Bankruptcy Judge for the Western District of Washington, Tacoma Division, on June 1, 2010. He served as Chief Bankruptcy Judge of the District from October 1, 2014 to September 30, 2019. Prior to his appointment, he served as the Standing Chapter 13 Trustee for the Portland Division of the District of Oregon, and as the Standing Chapter 12 Trustee for the District of Oregon. And in 2018, he was the recipient of the NACTT Hon. Ralph Kelley Award.

### **Veronica Brown-Moseley, Esq.**

Veronica D. Brown-Moseley is a shareholder at the Boleman Law Firm, P.C. She represents consumers in chapter 7 and chapter 13 bankruptcy cases in the firms' Richmond, Hampton, and Virginia Beach offices. Ms. Brown-Moseley is a frequent speaker on consumer bankruptcy law-related issues. In 2019, she was selected by the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges as a Blackshear Presidential Fellow and a Next Generation Program Participant. Additionally, in 2020, Ms. Brown-Moseley was named among 40 under 40 Emerging Leaders in Insolvency Practice by the American Bankruptcy Institute.