Agenda for the Bankruptcy/UCC Committee

of the Business Law Section of the Florida Bar 2022 Annual Convention Meeting

Thursday, June 23, 2022, 12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAqcu6tqDgjHdIaBueoaK-OHwI5Pzgs_neU

James Moon, Chair Mariane Dorris, Legislative Vice-Chair Kenny Murena, Vice-Chair Hon. Catherine Peek McEwen, Judicial Chair

I. Welcome and Approval of Minutes from the Prior Meeting James Moon

<u>EXHIBIT A</u>

- II. Introductions of Special Guests and Pro Bono Reminder James Moon
- III. Business Law Section Update & Welcome Kacy Donlon, Section Chair Doug Bates, Section Chair-Elect Mark Stein, Section Treasurer Manny Farach, Section Secretary
- IV. Legislation
 - A. Legislative Overview for 2022 Session Stephanie Lieb, Legislation Committee Chair Aimee Diaz Lyon, Section Lobbyist
 - *B. Legislative Review Subcommittee* Mariane Dorris

Sunsetting Legislative Positions – Discuss Positions to Support Going Forward

<u>See Exhibit B</u>

C. Reports from Legislative Study Groups

2023 Legislative Items

a. Bankruptcy Threshold Adjustment and Technical Corrections Act (Federal) Hon. Catherine Peek McEwen Mariane Dorris

S.3823 – and H.R. 7494

https://www.congress.gov/bill/117th-congress/senate-bill/3823/text

This bill modifies provisions related to small business reorganization bankruptcies and wage earner's bankruptcies.

Status: Presented to President

b. Judgment Lien Amendments
 Prof. Jeff Davis
 Jodi Dubose

Bankers want to support moving this legislation forward in 2023

c. "Pick Your Partner" SB 336 and HB 519 reflect updates recently made to Article 9 of the UCC clarifying that certain overrides of restrictions on transferability do not apply to an ownership interest in a GP, LP or LLC (Joint with Corporations) Jeff Davis Matt Hale

APPROVED BY GOVERNOR Effective Date Jan. 1, 2023

– CLE Program for Bankers – August 10, 2022

Panel – Matt Hale, Lou Conti, Robert Barron

d. Warehouse Lien Amendments (§713.585) Dennis LeVine

Passed EC at Labor Day Retreat 2021 (Sept. 2021) Was not a 2022 session issue...looking at 2023

2022 Legislative Items – Carrying Over to 2023

e. Kearney Fix (Re: Requirements for Waivers of Exemptions) Jennifer Morando John Hutton

AWAITING TRANSMITTAL TO GOVERNOR

Issue with Retroactivity of Kearney Fix

- f. Foreclosure Notice Bill April Stone Judge McEwen
- D. Reports from Other Ongoing Study Groups
 - a. Florida Exemption Review/Revisions Kelly Roberts

Motor Vehicle Exemption – HB 265

VETOED BY GOVERNOR

 ABC Glitch Bill Study Group Jodi Dubose
 Patricia Redmond

See Exhibit C

- c. Article 9 Juan Mendoza
- d. *Bankruptcy Venue Reform Act* John Hutton Hon. Catherine Peek McEwen

Referred to House Judiciary Committee 6/28/2021 – no further action

- E. Items to be Monitored
 - a. Northern District Judgeships/Divisions Hon. Karen Specie Jodi Dubose

Doug Bates

- b. Uniform Voidable Transactions Act Amendments John Hutton
- *c.* Digital/Cryptocurrency Regulation Task Force
 Hon. Mindy Mora
 Woody Pollack Chair Blockchain & Cryptocurrency Taskforce

The Blockchain & Cryptocurrency Task Force intends to move at Executive Council to transition the Task Force into a Substantive Committee; namely, the Blockchain and Digital Assets Committee.

The Task Force requests our review of their White Paper and seeks our support for this initiative.

See Exhibit D

d. *Nondebtor Release Prohibition Act of 2021* Hon. Catherine Peek McEwen

Would virtually eliminate the use in bankruptcy cases of non-consensual, nondebtor releases in private claims and those brought by the government.

H.R. 4777 – no action since November. S. 2497 referred to judiciary, no action since July 2021.

H.R. 2096 – Sackler Act – no action since October. 3 FL co-sponsors: Crist, Wasserman-Schultz, Castor. S. 2472 referred to judiciary, no action since July 2021.

V. NCBJ Sponsorship

Marine Dorris

NCBJ – Marriott World Center, Orlando, FL, October 18, 2022 – October 22, 2022

Bank/UCC has formed a Sub-Committee to fund raise and assist in planning the State Bar Welcome Reception for the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges (NCBJ) taking place on October 19, 2022, at the Marriott World Center in Orlando, Florida.

<u>See Exhibit E</u>

VI. Continuing Legal Education, Communications, and Publications

- A. Bankruptcy/UCC Committee CLE Programs
 - a. Previously Held CLE Programs
 - *i.* 5/25/2022 2022 Business Litigation & Bankruptcy / UCC Case Law Update
 - b. Future Programs
 - *View from the Bench 2022* Tampa and Miami (POSTPONED – NEW DATES TBD) Hon. Michael Williamson
 - *ii. CLE Planning* Tara Trevorrow
 - *iii.* Contact Mariane Dorris or Kenny Murena if you would like to present a CLE or share ideas for future topics
- B. Communications Committee Report & Newsletter Chris Thompson
- C. Out of State Division Newsletter Submissions Hon. Catherine Peek McEwen Don Workman

VII. Cross-Committee Partnership and Other Liaison Reports

- A. Other Liaison Reports
 - a. CLE Committee Andrew Layden
 - b. IMF Committee Christina Taylor
 - c. Membership Committee Terry Sanks
 - d. Pro Bono Amanda Finley

VIII. Old Business

A. Creating an App for FRBP/Code Mark Healy

IX. New Business

ABI Veterans Task Force
 Carlos Sardi
 James Moon

Pilot program to provide insolvency legal assistance to veterans in need. the Veterans Task Force <u>https://veterans.abi.org/</u> is building a network of insolvency lawyers willing to assist veterans in need.

Let Carlos Or James know if you are willing to be listed in a directory of insolvency professionals willing to assist veterans in need.

X. Future Meeting Dates

September 2-5, 2022: BLS Retreat; JW Marriott Marco Island

XI. Adjourn