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Fred Stevens

Partner, Klestadt Winters
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Mr. Stevens is a commercial restructuring lawyer whose practice focuses on the representation of trustees, creditors' committees, debtors and creditors in complex bankruptcy cases, debt restructurings and related litigation.

Mr. Stevens employs a practical, results-oriented approach that helps his clients maximize value on their investments, and find money in the tough cases. Mr. Stevens also routinely serves as a bankruptcy trustee and examiner in chapter 7 and chapter 11 cases. Read more [here](#).

**Hon. Elizabeth L. Gunn**

U.S. Bankruptcy Judge,
District of Columbia

Hon. Elizabeth L. Gunn was appointed to serve as bankruptcy judge for the District of Columbia on September 4, 2020. A COVID-era selection and appointment, she was sworn in by Zoom from her living room and did not conduct her first in-person proceeding until March 2022. Before her appointment, Judge Gunn served as an Assistant Attorney General for the Commonwealth of Virginia as the bankruptcy specialist for the Division of Child Support Enforcement. Prior to joining the Office of the Attorney General, Judge Gunn was in private practice in Richmond, Virginia. In 2017, Judge Gunn was recognized by the American Bankruptcy Institute as a member of its inaugural class of 40 Under 40. Judge Gunn serves on the advisory board of the American Bankruptcy Institute Law Journal, the board of the Federal Bar Association Bankruptcy Section, is a former board member of the International Women's Insolvency and Restructuring Confederation, a former committee chair of the Consumer and Litigation Committees of the American Bankruptcy Institute, and is an Associate Editor of the American Bankruptcy Institute Law Journal. She is a member of the Walter Chandler Bankruptcy Inn of Court and is Board Certified in Consumer Law by the American Board of Certification. Judge Gunn received her BA, cum laude, from Willamette University in Salem, Oregon and her law degree, cum laude, from Boston College Law School.

**Ingrid Michelsen Hillinger**

Professor,
Boston College
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Ingrid Michelsen Hillinger is a professor at Boston College Law School, where she teaches a variety of commercial law/bankruptcy courses including Business Bankruptcy, Contracts, and Secured Transactions. She was named one of the 26 "Best Law Teachers" in the country by the authors of *What the Best Law Teachers Do* (Harvard University Press), and was the 2002 winner of the Boston College Distinguished Teaching Award.

Hillinger is a co-editor of *Chapter 11 Theory & Practice: A Guide to Reorganization* (LRP Publications), a multi-volume bankruptcy treatise. She is a co-author of an Article 9 case book, [Commercial Transactions: Secured Financing: Cases, Materials & Problems](#) (Carolina Academic Press), which adopts a problem-solving approach to teaching transactional law.

During her 43-year teaching career, Hillinger has taught at a variety of schools, including William & Mary, University of Texas Austin, Emory University, Northeastern University School of Law, and the University of Connecticut School of Law. While at William & Mary, she received an Outstanding Teacher Award from the Virginia Council on Higher Education.

**David R. Kuney**

Adjunct Professor of Law,
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David Kuney is an Adjunct Professor of Law at the Georgetown University Law Center, and is a retired partner from Sidley Austin, LLP. He has practiced law for over 46 years. He is the author of *On Rockingham Street*. He has been an adjunct professor for approximately 32 years, including American University's Washington College of Law, New York Law School and currently, Georgetown University.

His current practice focuses on appellate bankruptcy litigation, primarily representing amici curiae clients before the U.S. Supreme Court. Much of his work is pro bono representation. His recent amicus practice includes briefs in *Bank of America, N.A. v. David B. Caulkett*, (2015); *Husky International v. Daniel Ritz*, (2016); *Csyewski v. Jevic Holding Corp.*, (2016); *Lamar, Archer & Cofrin, LLP v. Appling*, (2018); *Ritter v. Lois Ritter*, (2018); *Bradley Taggart v. Shelley Lorenzen*, (2018); and *City of Chicago v. Fulton* (2020).

David's pro bono practice focuses primarily on issues of bankruptcy law that have significant systemic importance to both debtors and creditors. David's primary interest is in promoting legal and economic justice, and seeking to insure that the Bankruptcy Code provides both a safety-net and fresh start for distressed debtors, and a fair and balanced approach for creditors, both secured and unsecured.

David is a fellow of the American College of Bankruptcy and the American College of Real Estate Lawyers. He formerly served on the Board of Directors of the American Bankruptcy Institute and the Board of Governors of the American College of Real Estate Lawyers. Much of his prior law practice focused on real estate bankruptcy. He was named "Lawyer of the Year" in the field of Bankruptcy for the Washington, D.C. area by Best Lawyers for 2014.

Prior to retirement from Sidley Austin, David's practice focused mostly on real estate bankruptcy issues, including retail bankruptcy and commercial real estate. He is the lead author of *THE SINGLE ASSET REAL ESTATE CASE*, published in 2012 by the American Bankruptcy Institute and *RETAIL AND OFFICE BANKRUPTCY* published by the American Bankruptcy Institute in 2018. He is the lead contributor to the Collier Guide to Chapter 11, (Chapter 21, "Cases Involving Real Estate Business.").