

Careers in the Law:

Bankruptcy Lawyers – The Last Great Generalists

Panel Discussion with Judge Robert Faris and Professor Charles D. Booth

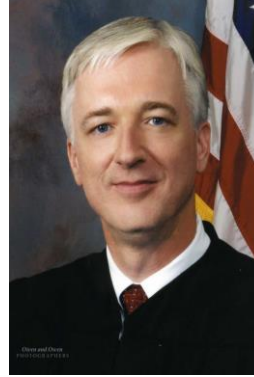
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DATE: April 17, 2018

TIME: 4:00 pm

LOCATION: Moot Court Room



This panel will discuss the career opportunities available to bankruptcy specialists and the need for all commercial lawyers to understand the rudiments of bankruptcy law and practice. The panel will include Judge Robert Faris, a US Bankruptcy Judge for the District of Hawai'i, who will also chair the session. The other panelist is Professor Charles D. Booth of the Richardson School of Law, whose research and teaching focuses on comparative and cross-border insolvency law and who has been involved in many insolvency and commercial law reform projects. The panelists will discuss what bankruptcy lawyers do and explain how they became interested in bankruptcy law and why they enjoy their work.

The primary sponsor for the panel is the American College of Bankruptcy, an honorary public service association of bankruptcy and insolvency professionals who are invited to join as Fellows based on a proven record of the highest standards of professionalism plus service to the profession and their communities. Both Judge Faris and Professor Booth are Fellows in the College. IAPBL is a co-sponsor.

RSVP to Dana Lum by close of business Monday, 04/16/2018. A headcount is requested for ordering refreshments.

Robert J. Faris is a US Bankruptcy Judge for the District of Hawai'i. He received a BA from Reed College in 1980 and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. He received his JD from the Boalt Hall School of Law, University of California, Berkeley, in 1983. He served as an associate editor of the *California Law Review* in 1982-83 and was elected to the Order of the Coif. From 1983 until 2002, he practiced with a Honolulu law firm, emphasizing bankruptcy, insolvency, and commercial litigation. He became a bankruptcy judge in February 2002. He is also a member of the American Bankruptcy Institute and the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges.

Charles D. Booth is a Professor of Law at the Richardson School of Law and the Director of IAPBL. He received his BA from Yale College in 1981 and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. He received his JD from Harvard in 1984. He is a leading expert on comparative and cross-border insolvency and commercial law and is well known for his work on Asian law. He has co-authored *A Global View of Business Insolvency Systems* (2010), the *Hong Kong Personal Insolvency Manual* (2nd ed, 2010), and the *Hong Kong Corporate Insolvency Manual* (3rded, 2015; 4th ed, in press). He has served as a consultant on insolvency and commercial law reform projects for many international organizations (including the World Bank and the Asian Development Bank) on projects in China, Hong Kong, Vietnam, Mongolia, Vanuatu, and Laos, and in Asia and Europe generally. He is also a Founding Member of the International Insolvency Institute and a member of the International Academy of Commercial and Consumer Law.

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