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OVER 50 VIRTUAL EVENTS AROUND THE WORLD SINCE MARCH 15!

Shawna Amarnani recently joined Yip Associates as a Director in Florida. She will continue to provide bankruptcy consulting, forensic accounting and litigation support services.

Leslie Baskin has been selected to the inaugural Lawdragon list of "500 Leading U.S. Bankruptcy & Restructuring Lawyers" for 2020.

Leyza Blanco, IWIRC Vice President has been named Chair of the Florida Bar Business Law Section. Ms. Blanco is the first Hispanic Chair of the one of the Bar's largest sections and is leading the way in strengthening a Diversity Fellowship Program.

Amy Edgy was named as one of the Inaugural Lawdragon 500 Leading U.S. Bankruptcy & Restructuring Lawyers. Additionally, she retired at the end of July and plans to take the next few months off to spend time with my family in Coastal Georgia.

Kristen S. Eustis recently left Miles & Stockbridge and joined the Office of the United States Trustee in its Alexandria, Virginia office as a trial attorney.

Rosa Evergreen, a partner at Arnold & Porter, has been named one of the inaugural Lawdragon 500 Leading U.S. Bankruptcy and Restructuring Lawyers. Additionally, she was named in Best Lawyers for "Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law" and also for "Litigation - Bankruptcy."

Karen Fellowes joined Stikeman Elliott as the Western Canadian Leader for its National Restructuring & Insolvency Group.

Patricia B. Fugée was chosen by the Office of the United States Trustee as one of the Subchapter V trustees for the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Ohio.

Karen A. Giannelli has been selected to the inaugural Lawdragon list of “500 Leading U.S. Bankruptcy & Restructuring Lawyers” for 2020. Ms. Giannelli is also one of 26 business leaders throughout the New Jersey to earn a 2020 “Icon Award” from NJBIZ. Ms. Giannelli has additionally earned a 2020 Lifetime Achievement Award from the New Jersey Law Journal.

Denise Kaloudis, Managing Director at Stretto, facilitated “Challenges Impacting the Oil and Gas Industry”, a CLE presentation offered to industry professionals.

Susan Poll Klaessy was named to the 2020 Illinois Super Lawyers list – a distinction limited to just 5 percent of the state’s lawyers.

Andrea O’Connor joined Fitzgerald Attorneys at Law, P.C.

Ciara L. Rogers was appointed as a Chapter 11-Subchapter V trustee in February 2020. She was also [interviewed by a local news station](#) about bankruptcy trends in Eastern District of North Carolina.

Alexandra CC Schnapp (Law Clerk to Hon. Wendy Hagenau, U.S. Bankruptcy Court N.D. Ga.) presented on a panel entitled “How to Have Your Evidence Admitted” during the virtual ABI Southeastern Bankruptcy Workshop in July.

Natasha Songonuga has been selected to the inaugural Lawdragon list of “500 Leading U.S. Bankruptcy & Restructuring Lawyers” for 2020. Ms. Songonuga was selected by the Office of the U.S. Trustee for Region Three as one of two pool Subchapter V Trustees who will be appointed in chapter 11 cases filed in Delaware.

Elizabeth Wilson of the Hong Kong network is pleased to announce that as of June 20, 2020, Lynchpin Bondholder Management Limited will be active on SWIFT. The SWIFT platform and its global financial messaging services provide a reliable, safe and secure approach to financial communications.

Megan Young-John joined the bankruptcy and restructuring practice of Porter Hedges, LLP as an associate in Houston, Texas in July.



On July 30, SC had its first Subchapter V case confirmed. **Jane Downey** was the debtors' counsel and **Christine Brimm** was the Subchapter V trustee.

Several IWIRC Brazil members contributed to a collection of articles on various topics relating to business insolvency that will be published next month by IBAJUD – the Brazilian Insolvency Institute. The IWIRC members who collaborated in the project were: **Beatriz Faneca, Jamile Medeiros, Livia Gavioli Machado, Maria da Penha Nobre, Maria Stella Camargo Milani, Monica di Piero, Nyana Miller, Paula Mitie Minohara, Rebecca Oliveira and Simone Zaize.**

Congratulations on these fantastic achievements!

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