



**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO**

Announces

Bench-Bar Retreat 2004

The Bertram Inn & Conference Center

Aurora, Ohio

Friday, October 8, 2004

8:00 AM - 4:30 PM

The United States Bankruptcy Court's third biennial Bench-Bar Retreat continues the tradition started four years ago to address common concerns shared by the court and practitioners who appear before the court. This year's retreat will include discussions of proposed revisions to the court's local rules, as well as presentations on office management in an ECF environment. As with the prior retreats, the format will consist of small group roundtable discussions followed by plenary sessions consisting of the entire group of participants.

Registration is open to all lawyers admitted to practice before the United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio.

Registration Information:

Name (please print): _____

Attorney Registration #: _____

Firm: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Business Phone/Fax: _____

E-mail address: _____

Percentage of law practice spent on bankruptcy matters: _____

Major area(s) of interest (check all that apply):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Consumer | <input type="checkbox"/> Chapter 7 | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Business | <input type="checkbox"/> Chapter 11 | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Debtor | <input type="checkbox"/> Chapter 13 | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Creditor | <input type="checkbox"/> Contested Litigation | |

Each participant will be assigned to a particular roundtable based upon the participant's major area(s) of interest. This should allow consumer practitioners to exchange thoughts and ideas with other consumer practitioners throughout northern Ohio, business practitioners with other business practitioners, and litigators with other litigators.

Cost is \$48.70. In order to facilitate table assignments, deadline for registration is September 10, 2004. Depending on space availability, registrations will be accepted after September 10th at a cost of \$75.00, but late registrants will be less likely to be assigned to a table based on their major area of interest.

Make checks payable to: Ken Hirz

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Northern District of Ohio
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- Registration on the day of the program will be based on available space.
- 6.0 CLE credit hours, including 1.0 hour in Professionalism, have been applied for from the Ohio Supreme Court's Commission on Continuing Legal Education.
- Cancellations must be received in writing by September 24, 2004, for a full refund. No refunds will be given for cancellations received after September 24th.
- Any special dietary needs must be communicated to the Clerk's Office at (216) 522-7299 by September 24, 2004.
- Registrations are transferrable within a law firm if notice is provided to the Clerk's Office at (216) 522-7299 no later than October 1, 2004.
- Persons with disabilities needing special arrangements to attend this program should contact the Clerk's Office at (216) 522-7299 no later than October 1, 2004.
- Program manuals will be made available for distribution to registrants at all five of the court's divisional offices beginning September 27, 2004.
- Attire is business casual.
- Continental breakfast served beginning at 7:00 AM. Cost includes continental breakfast, breaks, lunch and CLE.
- A no-host reception will be held on Thursday, October 7th from 8:00 P.M. until 10:00 P.M. in the Leopard Restaurant at the Bertram Inn, and again immediately following the conclusion of the program on October 8th until 6:30 P.M.
- Registrants may reserve a room at the Bertram Inn subject to availability for \$86/night for single rate, plus state and local taxes. Reservations should be made by September 10th. Identify yourself as a participant of the U.S. Bankruptcy Court Bench-Bar Retreat. Call the Bertram Inn at (330) 995-0200 to reserve a room.
- Golfing is being made available to Bench-Bar attendees at the nearby Barrington Golf Course. Cost for 18 holes and a cart is \$95. A start time has been arranged for 11:00 AM on Saturday, October 9th. Contact Valerie at (330) 995-7605 to register.