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THE FOURTEENTH ANNUAL *EMORY BANKRUPTCY DEVELOPMENTS JOURNAL* SYMPOSIUM

INTRODUCTION

Each Spring, the *Emory Bankruptcy Developments Journal* hosts an Annual Symposium to address timely bankruptcy topics relevant to the academy, practitioners, and students of bankruptcy law. As with the *Journal's* articles, the Symposium strives to highlight bankruptcy subjects that intersect with other practice areas. With the assistance of our Advisory Board, Faculty Advisor, Professor Rafael Pardo, sponsoring firms, and *Journal* staff members, the Fourteenth Annual Symposium was a success.

This year, the Symposium's two panels were devoted to a consumer and corporate topic, respectively. The Consumer Panel explored the development of the doctrine of judicial estoppel, its current status, and predictions for the doctrine's viability. The panel featured an employment attorney who offered her perspective, as well as a bankruptcy judge and two bankruptcy practitioners.

The Corporate Panel discussed the proper valuation method for chapter 11 cramdown interest rates. The panel featured speakers who authored extensive articles on this subject in this year's previous issue,¹ as well as a practitioner who has litigated extensively in the field of bankruptcy.

What follows is an edited transcript of both panels. The *Emory Bankruptcy Developments Journal* Symposium wishes to thank the Advisory Board members, panelists who traveled from across the country to participate, and the moderator of the Corporate Panel for facilitating the discussion. The Emory Law staff greatly contributed to the success of the program. Finally, special thanks are due to Kaylynn Webb, Jake Jumbeck, Sophie Macon, Alee Jamel, Joseph Sherman, Elizabeth Hartsell, Pat Maher, John Green, and the entire

¹ See Bruce A. Markell, *Fair Equivalents and Market Prices: Bankruptcy Cramdown Interest Rates*, 33 EMORY BANKR. DEV. J. 91 (2016); Anthony J. Casey, *Bankruptcy's Endowment Effect*, 33 EMORY BANKR. DEV. J. 141 (2016).

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