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Hawai‘i-Japan Insolvency Law Symposium

Symposium
Honolulu, Hawai‘i

17 February 2015
11:45 am - 1:00 pm
Informal lunch for speakers
Plaza Club, 900 Fort Street Mall

1:15 pm - 6:00 pm
Symposium
Case Lombardi & Pettit
737 Bishop Street

6:15 pm
Cocktail Reception
Location TBA

Bankruptcy Roundtable

18 February 2015
9:00 am - 11:30 am
Carlsmith Ball
1001 Bishop Street

2:00 pm – 3:30 pm
Tour of US Bankruptcy Court
Sponsorship provided by:

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Hawai‘i Bankruptcy Bar Association
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International Law Section
Hawai‘i State Bar Association
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17 February 2015

Symposium

This symposium will involve discussions among insolvency practitioners, academics and judges on US and Japanese insolvency law. Topics will include recent developments and likely reforms in each country and cross-border issues.

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11:45 am – 1 pm Lunch for speakers – Sponsored by:
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1:00 pm – 1:15 pm Registration

1:15 pm – 1:25 pm Welcoming Remarks

Prof. Charles D Booth, IAPBL Director, Richardson School of Law, University of Hawai’i at Manoa
Prof. Sato Tetsuo, IP Research Group, Japan

Session 1 – Recent Developments in US Corporate Insolvency Law

This session will involve Hawaii bankruptcy lawyers who will discuss recent developments in US corporate insolvency law and recent proposals of the American Bankruptcy Institute Chapter 11 Commission Report.

1:25 pm – 2:35 pm

Chair:

Speakers:

Don Jeffrey Gelber, Clay Chapman Iwamura Pulice & Nervell
Jerrold K Guben, O’Connor Playdon & Guben LLP
ABI Chapter 11 Commission Report
Steven Gutman, Kessner Umebayashi Bain & Matsunaga
Bradley Tamm, Shults & Tamm
Session 2: Cross-Border Insolvency – Hawai‘i Cases Involving Japanese Assets

This session will consider cross-border insolvency issues involving Japanese debtors with assets in Hawaii.

2:35 pm - 3:25 pm

Chair:

Speakers:

David C. Farmer, David C Farmer, Attorney at Law, LLC
Hon. Robert J Faris, US Bankruptcy Judge, D Hawai‘i
James A Wagner or Chuck Choi, Wagner Choi & Verbrugge
The Azabu Buildings Bankruptcy Cases

Coffee Break: 3:25 pm – 3:45 pm

Session 3: Recent Developments in Japanese Corporate Insolvency Law

This session will involve Japanese academics who will discuss recent developments in Japanese corporate insolvency law.

3:45 pm – 5:00 pm

Chair:

Speakers:

Prof. Sato Tetsuo, Chuo University &
Asst. Prof. Hiroki Tamai, Tohoku Gakuin University
Overview of Japanese Insolvency Law & Players
Assoc. Prof. Junko Sugimoto, Nihon University
Creditors’ and Secured Creditors’ Rights under Japanese Insolvency Law
Prof. Kenji Takata, Osaka City University
Civil Rehabilitation Act
Session 4: Recent Developments in Japanese Business Reorganization Schemes and Practice – Will Majority Rule Replace Unanimity?

The final session will consider a few important underlying differences between the US and Japanese insolvency law systems and then turn to a recent proposal to the Japanese government regarding out-of-court workouts in Japan.

5:00 pm – 5:50 pm

Chair and Speaker: Prof. Charles D Booth, IAPBL Director, Richardson School of Law

Speaker: Mr. Shinjiro Takagi, Advisor, Nomura Securities Co.

5:50 pm – 6:00 pm   Concluding Remarks

Prof. Charles D. Booth, IAPBL Director, Richardson School of Law

6:15 pm   Cocktail Reception

18 February 2015

Bankruptcy Roundtable

This Roundtable will follow on from the previous day’s Symposium and allow the insolvency practitioners from Hawaii and Japan to carry on their discussion in an informal setting.

Carlsmith Ball, 1001 Bishop Street, Honolulu, HI

9:00 am – 11:30 am

Bankruptcy Court Visit

The Honorable Robert J Faris has agreed to arrange for the Japanese lawyers and academics to visit the bankruptcy court in Honolulu.

2:00 pm – 3:30 pm
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Japan

Registration Form

Please complete this form and return by post, email or fax

Title: ___________________ First Name: ___________________ Surname: ___________________

Company: ___________________
Address: ___________________

Telephone: ___________________ Fax: ___________________

Email: ___________________

Speakers/Panlists must register, but there is no charge.

☐ Symposium – 17 February
☐ Roundtable – 18 February

General attendees.

☐ Symposium – 17 February ($20)
☐ Roundtable – 18 February ($10)
☐ Both the Symposium and the Roundtable ($25)

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