

**DEBTORS BAR OF WEST MICHIGAN  
FOURTH ANNUAL  
WINTER SEMINAR 2014  
Monday, January 20, 2014**



**Grand Valley State University  
L.V. EBERHARD CENTER  
301 Fulton St. W.  
Grand Rapids, MI 49504**

**Featured Speaker:  
Tara Twomey  
National Association of Consumer Bankruptcy Attorneys**

**Registration Office: DBWM, c/o Michael McPhillips, 121 W Apple St., Ste 101,  
Hastings MI 49058. Phone: 269-945-3512**

**Deadline for Registration is December 31, 2013. Reservations are on a first come first served basis. Printed materials may not be available if you do not register prior to December 31, 2013.**

## SEMINAR SCHEDULE

- 7:30 – 8:15 a.m.: Continental Breakfast & Registration**
- 8:15 – 8:45 a.m.: Opening Remarks**  
Martin Rogalski  
*President Debtors Bar of Western Michigan*  
Patrick Miles  
*United States Attorney - Western District of Michigan*
- 8:45 – 9:45 a.m.: Hot Topics in Consumer Bankruptcy**  
Tara Twomey – Featured Speaker  
*National Association of Consumer Bankruptcy Attorneys*
- 9:45 – 10:00 a.m.: Refreshments & Vendor Exhibits**
- 10:00 – 11:00 a.m.: Case Law Updates**  
Paul Davidoff - Chair  
*Paul F. Davidoff, PC*  
Honorable Scott W. Dales  
*United States Bankruptcy Court - Western District of Michigan*
- 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.: Divorce and Bankruptcy**  
John Potter - Chair  
*Twohey Maggini*  
Honorable David Hoort  
*Ionia County Circuit Court*  
Kurt Steinke  
*Staff Attorney, Chapter 13 Trustee's Office*
- 12:00 – 1:00 p.m.: Luncheon & Awards Ceremony**
- 1:00 – 2:00 p.m.: Student Loans and Adversary Proceedings**  
Kimberly S. Young - Chair  
*McPhillips, Young & Baker*  
Steven Bylenga  
*Chase & Bylenga, PLLC*  
Agnes Kempker-Cloyd  
*United States Attorney's Office*
- 2:00 – 3:00 p.m.: Chapter 7 vs. Chapter 13**  
Rebecca Johnson-Ellis, - Chair  
*David Andersen & Associates PC*  
Carol Chase  
*Chase & Bylenga, PLLC*  
Barbara Foley  
*Chapter 13 Bankruptcy Trustee*

<b>3:00 – 3:15 p.m.:</b>	<b>Refreshments &amp; Vendor Exhibits</b>
<b>3:15 – 4:15 p.m.:</b>	<b>Chapter 7 Panel and Attorney Disclosures</b> David Andersen, - Chair <i>David Andersen &amp; Associates PC</i> Jeffrey Moyer <i>Chapter 7 Trustee</i> Roger Cotner <i>Cotner Law Offices</i> Andy Vara <i>U.S. Trustee Program</i>
<b>4:15 – 4:30 p.m.:</b>	<b>Closing Remarks</b>
<b>4:30 – ??</b>	<b>DBWM Business Meeting and On-site Social Reception</b>

## CONFERENCE INFORMATION

**HOTEL RESERVATIONS:** For those requiring accommodations there are several options close to the conference center including those which are listed below. Hotel Reservations are your responsibility, please make sure they are made in advance to assure availability.

**Holiday Inn Grand Rapids**  
310 Pearl Street NW  
Grand Rapids, MI 49504  
(616) 235-7611

**JW Marriott Grand Rapids**  
235 Louis Campau NW  
Grand Rapids, MI 49503  
(616) 242-1500

**Courtyard Downtown**  
11 Monroe Avenue NW  
Grand Rapids, MI  
(616) 242-6000

**CONFERENCE ATTIRE:** Casual.

**DIRECTIONS AND PARKING:** A City of Grand Rapids Parking Map is also attached. G.V.S.U. L.V. Eberhard Center has two parking areas (13 and 15). Area 13 is for handicapped parking only. Area 15 is located directly across the street on Fulton. There is no fee for parking in either of these lots.

**SEMINAR REGISTRATION FEES:** *Early Registration fees apply if postmarked by 12/31/13.*

**Debtors Bar Member:** Early Registration: \$150; After 12/31/13 \$200 (Includes 2014 membership dues.)

**Non-Member Attorney:** Early Registration: \$175; After 12/31/13 \$225

**New DBWM Member :** Early Registration: \$165; After 12/31/13 \$215

(Please note-if you are not currently a member of the DBWM but are eligible and meet membership qualifications you must pay \$165 fee which will include your 2014 Membership dues. Those not eligible to become members must pay the \$175.00 fee for attendance at the seminar.)

**Paralegal/Non-Attorney Staff Member/Government Worker:** Early Registration: \$60; After 12/31/13 \$80

**CANCELLATION POLICY:** No Refunds.

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### Conference Registration

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Business: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Conference Registration:	Early	Late
____ Attorneys at Member Rate - Early: \$150; Late \$ 200	\$ _____	\$ _____
____ Attorneys at New Member Rate - Early: \$165; Late \$215	\$ _____	\$ _____
____ Attorneys at Non-Member Rate – Early \$175; Late \$225	\$ _____	\$ _____
____ Paralegal/Non-Attorney, Government Staff Rate – Early \$60 Late \$80	\$ _____	\$ _____
____ Attending Onsite Social (Free)		

Total Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_ Check here if attending from Marquette

MAIL YOUR REGISTRATION FORM, RENEWAL OR NEW MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM (if eligible) & CHECK (Made out to Debtors Bar of Western Michigan) TO: Debtors Bar of West Michigan, c/o Michael McPhillips, 121 W Apple St., Ste 101, Hastings MI 49058. Questions: Call Michael McPhillips (269)-945-3512; Kim Young (269)-945-3512; or Jeremy Shephard at (616)-784-1700.

# DEBTORS BAR OF WEST MICHIGAN

## 2014 MEMBERSHIP/RENEWAL

### APPLICATION FORM

The Debtors Bar of West Michigan welcomes new members. Fill out the application and return it to the address listed below along with the application/renewal fee. **Please note that your membership is personal and is effective commencing January 1<sup>st</sup> of every year.** Note that we do need these filled out by returning members to verify any changes in contact information, **and to have continued access to the Debtors Bar of West Michigan listserve and website.**

\*\*\*Membership dues for 2014 are **\$50.00**. Seminar fees, **if payment is postmarked before December 31, 2013** are **\$100** for 2013 Members, and **\$115** for applicants who want to be members, but were not members in 2013. Seminar fees are **\$150 for 2013 members if payment is postmarked after December 31, 2013** and **\$165 for new members if postmarked after December 31, 2013. NO EXCEPTIONS.**\*\*\*

\_\_\_\_\_ **Membership Renewal (with seminar - \$150 or \$200)**  
\_\_\_\_\_ **New Member (with seminar \$165 or \$215)**  
\_\_\_\_\_ **Membership (without seminar \$50)**

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**E-MAIL ADDRESS**

By signing this form, I am affirming that I am a licensed attorney in good standing with State and/or Federal Bar and I primarily represent Debtors in the Western District of Michigan. I further acknowledge and agree with the mission statement as follows: We are an advocacy organization whose purpose is to educate, increase the knowledge and the competence of attorneys who represent debtors, to advance the study of bankruptcy law and debtor law, to promote the administration of justice; to uphold a high standard for the judiciary, the trustees, and attorneys; to encourage cordial and friendly relations among members of the legal profession; and to be involved in advancing the rights of debtors.

\_\_\_ **Add me to the listserve and website (new Members)** OR \_\_\_ **Continue my access to the listserve and website (Renewing members)** I agree to consider and maintain all communications made on the listserve and website as privileged, co-counsel communications (which includes not disclosing the content or substance of any communication to anyone other than a member of the group, even a member of my own office or firm, unless s/he is also a member of this listserve)."

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO "DBWM" AND MAIL WITH YOUR SEMINAR REGISTRATION TO: DEBTORS BAR OF WEST MICHIGAN C/O MIKE McPHILLIPS, 121 W. Apple St., Ste 101, Hastings, MI 49058**

## SPONSORS OF THE 2014 DBWM WINTER SEMINAR

For anyone wishing to Sponsor the seminar to help continue to keep the costs to a minimum, we offer the following which will include an ad in the seminar materials that you provide to us:

___	Sponsorship with a quarter page ad in the material	\$50.00
___	Sponsorship with a half page ad in the material	\$75.00
___	Sponsorship with a full page ad in the material	\$100.00
___	Sponsorship full page ad front inside of Cover	\$150.00
___	Sponsorship full page ad back inside Cover	\$150.00
N/A	Sponsorship full page ad back cover	\$200.00 Not Available, Purchased

Note that the inside of the covers and back cover will be on a first come first serve basis. There will be black and white ads only and the deadline for submitting your ad for print is November 29, 2013. Feel free to call Kimberly Young or Michael McPhillips at (269) 945-3512 before submitting your preference and check to see if someone has already taken one of the covers.

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**ATTENTION MARQUETTE ATTORNEYS**

**THE SEMINAR WILL BE  
SIMULCAST LIVE FROM**

**NORTHERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY**

**THIS IS OUR FIRST YEAR ATTEMPT AT  
A SIMULCAST AND WE OFFER NO GUARANTEE  
THAT IT WILL RUN SMOOTHLY.**