

APPLICATION
UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
DISTRICT OF MARYLAND
BANKRUPTCY DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROGRAM PANEL

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Professional licenses or memberships and accreditations:

American College of Bankruptcy; Bar Admissions: 1975, Maryland; 1976, U.S. District Court, District of Maryland; 1979, District of Columbia;

U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia; U.S. Court of Appeals, Second and Fourth and U.S. Supreme Court

Dispute Resolution Training: Yes X No _____

(a) U.S. Bankruptcy Court Training _____

(b) Other Training Harvard Law School Mediation Certification - week long program.

Experience: I have been a part of several large case mediations.

Counties in which you are willing to serve as a Resolution Advocate:

Baltimore City and all counties.

If you are also applying to be a Paid Resolution Advocate, rates charged:

Where fee is paid, \$310 per hour.

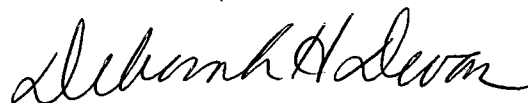
Additional Information: see attached resume

I hereby certify that the information set-forth above is true and correct.¹ I agree to serve for a minimum of one year and to act as an unpaid Resolution Advocate in matters, not to exceed one matter per calendar quarter.

Date

11/2/04

Signature



¹ It is the responsibility of the applicant to submit an amended application if any information contained on this application changes.

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Deborah Hunt Devan, a business bankruptcy lawyer, focuses her practice on the areas of workouts of troubled real estate and businesses, bankruptcy and commercial law. She is a principal in her firm and heads its bankruptcy practice group. Mrs. Devan is a member of the prestigious American College of Bankruptcy and is included in the “*Best Lawyers in America*” in the field of bankruptcy law and in Marquis “*Who’s Who in America*”.

She is a member of the Board of Directors of the Baltimore Development Corporation, chairing the Project Committee, and University of Maryland School of Law Alumni Association.

She has represented significant debtors, creditors and creditors’ committees in large regional reorganizations including, among other recent cases, the Chapter 11 proceedings of Sunterra Corp., Railworks Corp., Iridium, The Custom Shops, Porter-Hayden Company and USInternetworking. She began her professional career by representing the creditors’ committee in the largest individual Chapter 11 filing in Maryland at that time. In that case, the unsecured creditors received 100 percent payment on their claims, plus interest. Since then, she has continued to represent debtors and creditors’ committees in Chapter 11 proceedings.

Mrs. Devan is the Chapter 7 trustee in the bankruptcy proceedings of Merry-Go-Round Enterprises, Inc., where she was appointed by the court to operate the business and then liquidate it. She operated the business, including the remaining 600 retail stores and liquidated all of the realty, inventory and other assets. During the course of the case, she successfully brought an action for malpractice against the financial advisers to the corporation, Ernst & Young, which settled for \$185 million.

She successfully brought more than 800 preference actions, which to date have generated almost \$10 million in settlements. Mrs. Devan also has acted as a Chapter 7 trustee in other business and consumer bankruptcy cases in Baltimore for almost 20 years, and she was the standing Chapter 13 trustee for approximately five years. Her practice has been featured in numerous articles in the *The Wall Street Journal*, *Business Week*, *Newsweek* and *The Baltimore Sun*.

Mrs. Devan is active in civic affairs, currently serving as a board member of the Baltimore Development Corporation and the University of Maryland School of Law Alumni Association. She has been a board member of several nonprofit healthcare businesses, including hospitals and nursing homes. She received the Cystic Fibrosis Community Service Gold Award and served as first vice president of the Executive and Professional Women’s Council of Maryland, a member of Network 2000.

She has been a reporter for the Maryland Local Bankruptcy Rules Revision Committee and the Legislative Affairs Chair of the Turnaround Management Association. She is a past president of the Bankruptcy Bar Association of Maryland and is a member of the Business Bankruptcy Committee of the American Bar Association and the Subcommittees on Bankruptcy Litigation and

Claims and Priorities. She served on the Professional Ethics Committee of the Bar Association of Baltimore City and the Subcommittee on Creditors' Rights, Bankruptcy and Insolvency with the Maryland State Bar Association. She is currently a member of the Bar-Bench Liaison Committee for the U.S. District Court and U.S. Bankruptcy Court in Maryland.

Mrs. Devan is also a frequent lecturer for such organizations as the American Bankruptcy Institute, the National Association of Bankruptcy Trustees, the Maryland Institute for Continuing Professional Education of Lawyers, the Mid-Atlantic Institute on Bankruptcy and Reorganization Practice, Views from the Bench and Georgetown University Law Center.

Mrs. Devan is married and is the mother of three children.