

Georgia Bankruptcy American Inn of Court Spoke to Teachers; Speakers included Andrew H. Dekle

On October 23, 2019, members of the W. Homer Drake, Jr. Georgia Bankruptcy American Inn of Court spoke about bankruptcy and financial literacy to several local schoolteachers at Oatland Island Wildlife Center. Speakers included Andrew H. Dekle of Bouhan Falligant, Jeff Narmore of Narmore Law Office LLC, and Edward J. Coleman, III, Chief Judge of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Georgia. The event was sponsored by the Georgia Council on Economic Education ("GCEE"), which seeks to help K-12 teachers instruct their students on economics and personal finance. After Judge Coleman's introductory remarks, Andrew traced the complex history of bankruptcy law beginning in Ancient Rome and ending with the passage of the modern Bankruptcy Code in 1978 and the amendments of the Bankruptcy Abuse Prevention and Consumer Protection Act ("BAPCPA") of 2005. Next, Jeff provided some bankruptcy statistics, explained the differences among the chapters of the Bankruptcy Code, and elicited productive group discussion with a humorous bankruptcy quiz. Using feedback from the teachers in attendance, the speakers hope to refine their presentation and to eventually speak at a formal GCEE workshop. The W. Homer Drake, Jr. Georgia Bankruptcy American Inn of Court was founded in Atlanta in 2014 with the mission of promoting excellence in legal advocacy, with emphasis on ethics, civility, professionalism, and legal skills. Its members are judges, practicing lawyers, law school educators, and law students. The organization takes its name from the Honorable W. Homer Drake, Jr., who has served as a bankruptcy judge in the Northern District of Georgia since 1964 and founded the Southeastern Bankruptcy Law Institute in 1974.



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