

The American College of Bankruptcy First Circuit Fellows and Boston College Law School present:

Recent years have seen a new surge in retail bankruptcies, featuring such familiar names as Eastern Mountain Sports, Radio Shack, Pac Sun, Sports Authority, American Apparel and The Limited.

These bankruptcy filings are occurring amidst enormous changes in the retail industry, driven in large part by the rapid growth of internet retailing. Those changes, in turn, are having a profound impact on related businesses, including retail liquidations, private equity and real estate development.

To better understand these trends, this year's Symposium will present two panels. The first will be comprised of retail business leaders, sharing their insights on the business conditions that are driving retail trends. The second panel will consist of individuals who have played key roles in recent bankruptcies – including in the Aeropostale Chapter 11 – who will discuss how the business trends are shaping strategies in retail bankruptcy cases.

Bankruptcy Experts

Judge Sean Lane U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Southern District of New York

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Moderator: James Wallack Goulston & Storrs

> Please join us for this timely and interesting discussion.

Business Panel

Mark Weinberg Chief Financial Officer, Rue La La

Kenneth Frieze Chief Executive Officer, Gordon Brothers Group

Paul Halpern Chief Investment Officer, Versa Capital Management

Herbert Landsman Senior Vice President, T.J. Maxx, Inc.

Chris Weilminster President, Mixed-Use Division Federal Realty Investment Trust

Lisa Gavales President and CEO, Things Remembered

Moderator: Michael Goldberg Casner & Edwards

The Future of Retail

How Rapid Changes in the Retail Economy Are Affecting Bankruptcy Practice

March 31, 2017

Boston College Law School 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. Reception to follow

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Registration is requested: We ask that you RSVP on or before **March 20, 2017**. There is no charge for the program. Click here to register or for more information: <u>www.bc.edu/bankruptcyconf</u>