

Panelist Biographies

Workshop 4B – Reaching Our Youth: Innovative Metro Bar Programs

D. Larkin Chenault began his tenure as the executive director of the Cleveland Bar Association on May 1, 2000, becoming only the eighth executive director in the 133-year history of the CBA. Prior to joining the Cleveland Bar Association, Larkin served as the executive director of the 35,000-member State Bar of Michigan for six years, executive director of the Cincinnati Bar Association for seven years and Assistant Director of the Kentucky State Bar for nearly four years. A graduate of Transylvania University in Lexington, Kentucky, Larkin attended the Lexington Theological Seminary and spent several years in church administration. He then received his law degree from the University of Louisville, where he served on the staff of the Law Journal. Larkin was first admitted to practice in 1978.

Carol A. Felicetta specializes in bankruptcy, commercial law, and litigation and has practiced in Reid and Riege's New Haven office since 2003. Before coming to Reid and Riege, Carol was a bankruptcy attorney with Wilson, Elser, Moskowitz, Edelman and Dicker of White Plains, New York. She also served as a trial attorney with the U.S. Trustee's Office in New Haven, Connecticut. The United States Trustee Program is the component of The Department of Justice responsible for overseeing the administration of bankruptcy cases and private trustees under 28 U.S.C. § 586 and 11 U.S.C. § 101, et seq. She is admitted to practice in the States of Connecticut and New York, the U.S. District Court for Connecticut and the Southern, Eastern and Northern Districts of New York. Carol received her Bachelor of Arts from Bowdoin College and her Juris Doctorate at the Pace University School of Law.

A co-chair of the Bankruptcy Committee of the New Haven County Bar Association, Carol is also a member of the International Women's Insolvency and Restructuring Confederation (IWIRC), Connecticut and New York chapters and was recently appointed vice-chair for the IWIRC Connecticut Network. Her other professional affiliations include the Connecticut Bar Association, Commercial Law and Bankruptcy section; American Bar Association; the American Bankruptcy Institute; and the New Haven County Bar Association Executive Committee. As part of a core group of attorneys active in the CARE Program (Credit Abuse Resistance Education) Program in Connecticut, Carol regularly visits local high schools and speaks to juniors and seniors about personal finance and the consequences of consumer credit card abuse.

Trudy C. Levindofske, CAE, has served as the associate executive director of the Orange County Bar Association since 1989. She holds the professional designation of certified association executive (CAE). She also serves as managing editor of *Orange County Lawyer* magazine and directs all of the press relations and communications of the bar association. Trudy is an active member of several professional associations, including: the American Society of Association Executives, the National Association of Bar Executives (NABE), the California Society of Association Executives (CalSAE) and the Executives of California Legal Associations.

She is the chair of Administration & Finance Section of the NABE, and serves on the CalSAE legislative committee. She has been honored by the NABE Communications Section for excellence in public relations. She earned her Bachelor of Arts in Communications with honors from California State University, Fullerton.

Hugh E. McKay was elected president of the Cleveland Bar Association in June 2004. Hugh is partner-in-charge of the Cleveland office of Porter Wright Morris & Arthur LLP, where he practices in the litigation area. He has been active in the Cleveland Bar Association for many years, serving as chair of the Young Lawyers Section in the mid-1980's, as a member of the CBA Board of Trustees, and as chair of the CBA Nominating Committee. He currently serves on the Litigation Council of the Litigation Section and is a Sustaining Member of the CBA. Hugh is also a Fellow of the Cleveland Bar Foundation and a member of the CBF Board of Trustees. In 1998 and 2003 he was co-chair of the Eighth District

Judicial Conference. In 2003, he was chair of the Bench-Bar Run. Hugh has spoken at various CBA institutes and seminars. Other professional activities have included the National Institute for Trial Advocacy, faculty member; Eighth District Judicial Conference, life member; William K. Thomas Inn of Court, former president and master bencher; and the Federal Bar Association, board of trustees and vice president. Hugh earned his Bachelor of Arts from Brown University in 1978 and his Juris Doctorate from the University of Pennsylvania in 1981.