



**The Debtors Bar of West Michigan
Bankruptcy Seminar 2025
Monday, March 24, 2025**

Embassy Suites
710 Monroe Ave., NW
Grand Rapids, MI 49504

Featured Speaker: James J. Haller

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CONFERENCE INFORMATION

LOCATION: Embassy Suites by Hilton Grand Rapids Downtown, 710 Monroe Ave NW, Grand Rapids, MI 49503.
Phone #: 616-512-5700

PARKING: There is free parking at the ramp attached to the hotel and there is metered street parking. The ramp gate will be opened after the seminar to allow attendees to leave.

CONFERENCE ATTIRE: Casual.

HOTEL RESERVATIONS: For those requiring accommodations there are several options downtown. We would recommend staying on site at the Embassy Suites but other options are included. Hotel Reservations are your responsibility, please make sure they are made in advance to assure availability.

Embassy Suites
710 Monroe Ave NW
Grand Rapids, MI 49503
(616) 512-5700

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

Courtyard Downtown
11 Monroe Avenue NW
Grand Rapids, MI 49503
(616) 242-6000

SEMINAR REGISTRATION FEE:

Registrants : \$100 until 3/7/25, after that date fee is \$125. For eligible attorneys the registration fee includes the DBWM membership fee of \$50.00

CANCELLATION POLICY: No Refunds.

Pay online at: https://paypal.me/DebtorsBarWestMI?country.x=US&locale.x=en_US

Attorney can also login to PayPal and elect to send money to @DebtorsBarWestMI.



Someone from the DBWM will reach out to confirm attendee at the email address used for payments made by PayPal.

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Seminar Schedule**

8:00 – 8:45	Continental Breakfast & Registration
8:45 – 9:00	Opening remarks
9:00 – 10:30	Key Note Speaker: James J. Haller Case Law Update
10:30 – 10:45	Break
10:45 – 12:15	Business Issues Impacting the Consumer Debtor Panel: Hon. John T. Gregg, Bankruptcy Judge, Western District of Michigan, Steven Bylenga, CBH Attorneys & Counselors, Grand rapids, MI and Ryan Beach, Law Offices of Ryan Beach, Grand Rapids, MI
12:15 – 1:00	Lunch
1:00 – 2:15	CHAPTER 13 HITS AND MISSES Panel discussion concerning Notice Issues, non-filing spouses, income concerns, calculating liquidation analysis and How to Get Paid After Dismissal Panel: Hon. Scot W. Dales, Chief Bankruptcy Judge, Western District of Michigan, Jeremy Shephard, USA Debt, Grand Rapids, Michigan and Harlee Nowland, Travis, Tighe and Howland, P.C., Grand Rapids, Michigan
2:15 – 2:30	Break
2:30 – 4:00	EXEMPTIONS IN BANKRUPTCY Panel discussion concerning exemptions, both old and new State and Federal. And find out why all State exemptions are not in the exemption statute. Panel: Hon. James W. Boyd, Bankruptcy Judge, Western District of Michigan, Rogalski, Martin L. Rogalski, PC, Grand Rapids, Michigan and Roger G. Cotner, Law Office of Roger C. Cotner, Grand Haven, Michigan.
4:00 – 5:00	Social Hour (off premises)

Conference Registration

Name: _____ Firm Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ E-Mail: _____

Register and pay online via PayPal. Send you payment to @DebtorsBarWestMI
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Conference Registration:

_____ Debtors Bar Member - \$100, After 3/7/25 \$125	\$ _____
_____ Non-Member Attorney - \$100, After 3/7/25 \$125	\$ _____
_____ Non-attorneys - \$100, After 3/7/25 \$125	\$ _____
_____ DBWM renewing attorney, not attending \$50	\$ _____
Total Enclosed:	\$ _____

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 Hanrahan, 25 Division S Ste 500, Grand Rapids MI 49503. Phone 616-608-3061.

Please complete the portion below if you are a renewing member or new member. Others can disregard

2025 Membership/Renewal Application Form

Please note that your membership is personal and is effective commencing January 1st of every year.

_____ Membership Renewal _____ New Member

- By signing this form, I am affirming that I am a licensed attorney in good standing with State and/or Federal Bar and in the Western District of Michigan I primarily represent Debtors.
- 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.

_____ **I want to be on the DBWM listserve and website.** New members will be added.

- 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: _____