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Meeting Location	Date	Time	Topic
King County Bar Association 1200 Fifth Avenue - Suite 700 Seattle, WA	Wednesday, September 6, 2017	12:00 PM to 1:15 PM	Retail Leases in Distress

AGENDA

12:00 PM Introduction

12:10 PM Presentation: 'Retail Leases in Distress', by Deirdre Glynn Levin, Hackett, Beecher &

Hart

The presentation will explore trends in retail bankruptcies and the rights of tenants and landlords to leases when the tenant is in distress and is considering options, including bankruptcy.

- Can (and should) the landlord evict the tenant who has filed for bankruptcy?
- How long does the tenant get to stay in possession and on what terms?
- What if the landlord objects to a tenant's choice to "assume" the lease?

1:15 PM Adjourn

SPEAKER BIOGRAPHY:

Deirdre Glynn Levin, Hackett, Beecher & Hart - Deirdre is an accomplished, successful commercial and business attorney with significant experience developing thoughtful, pragmatic solutions to the legal issues faced by business clients. She counsels growing and established companies on governance, corporate structure (including dissolution), contract negotiation, dispute resolution (through both litigation and alternative remedies) drafting and enforcement. Deirdre advises businesses on establishing systems for risk management, minimizing uncollectable accounts, and negotiating improvements to contract compliance in a complex regulatory environment.

Prior joining Hackett, Beecher & Hart in 2017, Deirdre worked for two years as In-House Counsel, and from 2011-14 she was a Senior Associate at Keller Rohrback's Seattle office in its commercial litigation

and debtor-creditors' rights practice. Ms. Glynn Levin previously served as a career law clerk for federal bankruptcy judges in Seattle, Tacoma, and San Francisco. She has had the unique opportunity to serve simultaneously as bankruptcy and appellate law clerk to the Hon. Philip H. Brandt during his term on the Ninth Circuit Bankruptcy Appellate Panel and the U.S. Bankruptcy Court Western District of Washington.

Deirdre has had extensive pro bono service. She served for six years as a Hearing Officer for the Washington State Bar Association, served on the Executive Board of the WSBA Debtor-Creditor Section, and is presently Chair of the Communications Committee of the WSBA Business Law Section.