Distinguished Bankruptcy Law and Business Student Program

The Distinguished Bankruptcy Law and Business Student program was established by the American College of Bankruptcy to identify and promote prospective leaders in the insolvency and bankruptcy profession. Committee members review and vet the nominations submitted by law or business school professors or deans, in consultation with their respective Circuit Regents, as appropriate, to select the Distinguished Bankruptcy Law and Business Students. Distinguished Bankruptcy Law Students are selected annually for each Circuit, while Distinguished Business Students are selected annually on a national basis.

The criteria for the selection includes academic excellence, professional accomplishments in bankruptcy or restructuring-related courses and other endeavors while enrolled in school that relate to insolvency issues (e.g., moot court, case competitions, writing competitions, publications, research, participation in relevant community service programs, etc.), participation in relevant community service programs, etc.), a passion for, or intent to practice in, the restructuring and insolvency area, and commitment to public service and pro bono efforts.

Each year, the Committee actively seeks the nomination of qualified individuals with an interest and background in bankruptcy and financial restructuring law or business programs, and who (i) are current law or business school students, or (ii) have graduated from law or business school within the calendar year that is previous to the College Induction Ceremony and Annual Meeting when the award is presented to the individual. Each selected individual is awarded an all-expense paid trip to attend the College Induction Ceremony and Annual Meeting, in addition to other appropriate recognition.