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Akerman Partner Amy Leitch Inaugurated as Jacksonville Bankruptcy Bar President

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Top 100 U.S. law firm Akerman LLP today announced bankruptcy and reorganization partner Amy Leitch has been inaugurated as president of the Jacksonville Bankruptcy Bar Association for a one-year term. Prior to being sworn as president, Leitch served as the Association's Board Vice President and previously Secretary.

"Amy becomes the seventh Jacksonville Akerman lawyer to serve as President since the Association's incorporation in 1992, which is a reflection of the firm's leading experience in bankruptcy and reorganization work," said Jacksonville Office Managing Partner Christian George. "Our office has produced more than 20 percent of the Presidents in this association's existence, which enables us to keep pulse of bankruptcy cases of significance and meet changes in the market head on."

Leitch focuses her practice on a broad range of complex commercial litigation and bankruptcy matters, including trusts and estates, debtor-creditor law, breach of contract, business torts, shareholder disputes, real estate, fraudulent transfers, landlord-tenant claims, judgment recovery, franchise disputes, and product liability and warranty. She represents clients throughout the United States and frequently appears in state and federal courts in Florida, Georgia, and Colorado. Her experience in probate and trust litigation includes will and trust

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contests and cases involving capacity, undue influence, determination of beneficiaries, homestead challenges, powers of attorney, spousal elective share, estate claims, breach of fiduciary duty, and tortious interference with inheritance.

The Jacksonville Bankruptcy Bar Association is formed through experienced lawyers, attorneys, newly admitted lawyers, and law students. Its several committees focus on different issues within the sphere of bankruptcy law, including a by-laws committee, a law school liaison committee, a social committee, a technology committee, and a seminar committee. All of these committees work together to hold an annual event for all members and to provide a networking opportunities as well as continuous education programming for its members.

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