

ORANGE COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION BANKRUPTCY COMMITTEE

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The OCBA Bankruptcy Committee has started 2023 strong.

On February 28, 2023, the OCBA hosted a virtual CLE—*Making the Most of Your Appraiser Expert Witness*. The speaker, Megan J. Ludd, is the President of Metropolis Real Estate Solutions, LLC, a full-service sales and valuation firm in Orlando, FL. As an appraiser for over 27 years and a lifelong resident of Central Florida, Ms. Ludd has developed an understanding of what drives decision-making when it comes to real estate.

Ms. Ludd presented clear and actionable tips for finding the best expert witness for your case, boosting your own knowledge of appraisal practice, using the tools provided by your expert witness to secure a win, and supporting your expert witness by highlighting their skill and experience.

On March 28, 2023, the OCBA will host an in-person CLE—Discharging Taxes in Bankruptcy: Avoid Malpractice and Make More Money Doing It!—at 12:00 p.m. at the Orange County Bar Association Meeting Center, 880 North Orange Avenue, Orlando. This event is presented by nationally recognized tax and bankruptcy attorney Larry Heinkel, creator of the Tax Discharge Determinator (www.TaxDischargeDeterminator.com) and frequent nationwide speaker on this topic.

Attorney Heinkel will outline a step-by-step primer on when or whether taxes are dischargeable, provide insightful tips on what to do until they are discharged, explain what taxes are secured vs. unsecured, and explain how to charge additional fees for this work.

Attendees can register for these programs through the OCBA Member Portal.