

Mark G. Stingley of the Western District of Missouri is Chosen for 2017 Michael R. Roser Excellence in Bankruptcy Award Recipient

Mark G. Stingley has been chosen to receive the 2017 Michael R. Roser Excellence in Bankruptcy Award from the Commercial Law Committee of the Missouri Bar. The award is being presented posthumously, as Mr. Stingley passed away unexpectedly after a short illness on July 9, 2017.

Since 1994, the Commercial Law Committee of the Missouri Bar, through a special selection subcommittee consisting of past recipients and attorneys representing different geographical areas throughout the state in a variety of practice sizes, has presented the Roser award to an attorney who manifests the highest standard of excellence in bankruptcy practice, who contributes distinctively to the development and appreciation of bankruptcy law, and who has made an outstanding contribution to the field of bankruptcy practice or administration. The award is named in honor of the late Michael R. Roser, a prominent Kansas City bankruptcy lawyer.

Mr. Stingley graduated from William Jewell College, magna cum laude, in 1974 with a bachelor's degree in business administration. He attended law school at the University of Missouri Kansas City, receiving his J.D. degree in 1977. He joined the Bryan Cave firm in 1995 and most recently served as global head of the Bankruptcy and Restructuring and Creditor's Rights Client Services Group. He was a fellow of the American College of Bankruptcy. He served as the College's 8th Circuit Admissions Counselor and Co-Chair of the Education Committee. He was a member of the American Bar Association, a Missouri state affiliate of the Turnaround Management Association, the National Board of Directors of the American Bankruptcy Institute and its Executive Committee and was serving as national Vice President for membership at the time of his death. He was one of 130 professionals, academics and judges appointed nationally to one of the ten advisory committees reporting to the ABI's Chapter 11 Reform Commission. He also helped to found and served as co-chair from 1992 to 2014 of the Midwestern Bankruptcy Institute, now a joint venture of the American Bankruptcy Institute and the University of Missouri Kansas City School of Law and most recently serving as an emeritus member of the planning committee. He was named 2016 Lawyer of the Year for Kansas City Bankruptcy/Insolvency Law and the 2014 Lawyer of the Year for Kansas City Bankruptcy-Litigation in Best Lawyers of America and was ranked annually in the Kansas City Business Journal's Best of the Bar and as a Missouri and Kansas Super Lawyer. He loved mentoring others, serving as an adjunct professor at the University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Law from 2007 to 2016. He contributed to many books on commercial bankruptcy litigation and spoke at conferences around the country on bankruptcy law. He was also active in the Kansas City community in various nonprofit organizations during his career.

The award will be presented at the Midwestern Bankruptcy Institute in Kansas City, Missouri, on October 27, 2017.