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| I. Professional | Accrediting Agency or Jurisdiction        | <b>Date of Admission</b> |
|-----------------|---|--------------------------|
| Attorney        | State of New York                         | January 10, 2001         |
|                 | United States District Court for the EDNY | February 27, 2001        |
|                 | United States District Court for the SDNY | February 27, 2001        |

File Date: September 10, 2020

| II. Professional Organization                               | Date of Admission | Active/Inactive |  |
|---|-------------------|-----------------|--|
| American Bankruptcy Institute                               | Since 2004        | Active          |  |
| Bankruptcy Committee of the Brooklyn Bar Assoc              | Since 2004        | Active          |  |
| National Association of<br>Consumer Bankruptcy<br>Attorneys | Since 2004        | Active          |  |
| National Association of Bankruptcy Trustees                 | Since 2014        | Active          |  |

## III. General professional experience:

Bankruptcy practitioner with over 20 years experience.

| 2000-2001 | Associate, Trustee Angela Tese-Milner.                                    |
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| 2001-2002 | Internship, the Honorable Robert E. Gerber, SDNY Bankruptcy Court.        |
| 2002-2003 | Judicial Clerkship, the Honorable Adlai S. Hardin, SDNY Bankruptcy Court. |

Full time volunteer attorney, Brooklyn Bar Association Volunteer Lawyers Project.

2004-Present The Law Office of Rachel S. Blumenfeld PLLC - Partner

#### IV. Experience and Familiarity with Bankruptcy Law:

I have specialized in bankruptcy for my entire legal career where I have represented debtors, creditors, trustees, landlords and other parties in interest in all types of bankruptcy cases. I am Board Certified in Consumer and Business Bankruptcy Law. I have served as a co-chair and panelist for numerous continuing legal education programs including the Practicing Law Institute, the New York City Bar Association, and the Brooklyn Bar Association. I have lectured at Brooklyn Law School and Fordham Law School.

#### V. Mediation training:

In 2013, I completed a three-day mediation training course sponsored by the American Bankruptcy Institute and St. John's University School of Law, the Hugh L. Carey Center for Dispute Resolution mediation training program (40 hours). I have been appointed as a mediator in numerous bankruptcy cases for the Eastern District of New York.

#### VI. Mediation experience:

Since 2014 I have been appointed as a mediator in numerous bankruptcy cases in the Eastern District of New York.

#### VII. Area of Expertise.

All aspects of bankruptcy law. I am Board Certified in Consumer and Business Bankruptcy Law.

#### VIII. General pertinent business or legal experience:

I have dedicated my 20 years of legal experience representing individual and business debtors, creditors and trustees in chapter 7, chapter 13 and chapter 11 bankruptcy matters.

#### IX. Other Pertinent Information.

I have appeared as an expert in bankruptcy law for dispute resolution in JAMS mediation.

I have served on the panel of mediators for the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of New York since 2014.

I co-chair the Eastern District of New York Bankruptcy Court Consumer Lawyer Advisory Committee.

I am the recipient of the Brooklyn Bar Association's Frieda Niscnewitz award and other awards for my representation of indigent clients and mentoring other attorneys.

I have co-authored several articles on bankruptcy law and I frequently lecture on bankruptcy topics.

### X. Fee Structure (Compensation and Expense Reimbursement).

Hourly rate is \$450.00.

## XI. Pro Bono Preference: Brooklyn, Central Islip or both offices.

I have served as a pro bono mediator in numerous Brooklyn and Central Islip cases. I have reduced my hourly rate in appropriate cases and have also worked on a flat fee basis.