

Eric L. Johnson of the Western District of Missouri is Chosen for 2020 Michael R. Roser Excellence in Bankruptcy Award Recipient

Eric L. Johnson has been chosen to receive the 2020 Michael R. Roser Excellence in Bankruptcy Award from the Commercial Law Committee of the Missouri Bar.

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.

Eric Johnson is a partner at Spencer Fane LLP and is the practice group leader for the Bankruptcy, Restructuring and Creditors' Rights Group. Eric represents clients in bankruptcy, non-bankruptcy insolvency proceedings, such as receiverships, and other related insolvency matters. Eric is a member of the panel of Chapter 7 trustees and has served as a federal equity receiver for the Western District of Missouri. With a strong commitment to the bar and legal education, Eric is currently serving as the chair of the Missouri Bar's Business/Corporate Division. In the past, Eric has served as the co-chair for the Missouri Bar's Bankruptcy Creditor-Debtor Rights Committee, president of the Kansas Bar Association Bankruptcy and Insolvency Section, president of the Kansas City Bankruptcy Bar Association, and as a member of the Bench Bar Committees for the U.S. Bankruptcy Courts for the District of Kansas and the Western District of Missouri. Eric is also very active in the American Bankruptcy Institute currently serving on the ABI Board of Directors and on the advisory board for the Midwestern Bankruptcy Institute. Eric is a frequent author and speaker on insolvency related topics and is board-certified in business bankruptcy by the American Board of Certification. Eric is a proud alumnus of the University of Northern Iowa and the University of Iowa College of Law.

The award will be presented at the Midwestern Bankruptcy Institute in Kansas City, Missouri, on October 30, 2020.