

Bruce Beesley, Certified Creditors' Rights Specialist, Appointed To The Nevada Bankruptcy Bench

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The American Board of Certification congratulates Bruce Beesley, an ABC-certified Creditors' Rights Specialist, on his recent appointment to the federal bankruptcy bench.

Beesley makes his home in Reno but will hear cases in both Reno and Las Vegas. He is the second ABC-certified Creditors' Rights Specialist to be appointed to the bankruptcy bench, joining Judge Ronald H. Sargis, who was appointed last year to the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of California in Sacramento.

Beesley becomes the 17th ABC-certified specialist to assume judicial office. He attained his certification on February 27, 2003.

Beesley was a biology major at the University of Nevada, Reno and attended the McGeorge School of Law in Sacramento, California. As a practitioner, Beesley represented such diverse interests as national banks, Nevada casinos and even once defended a client in a capital murder case.

Beesley has served as the Nevada State Bar president, a past president and master emeritus of the Bruce

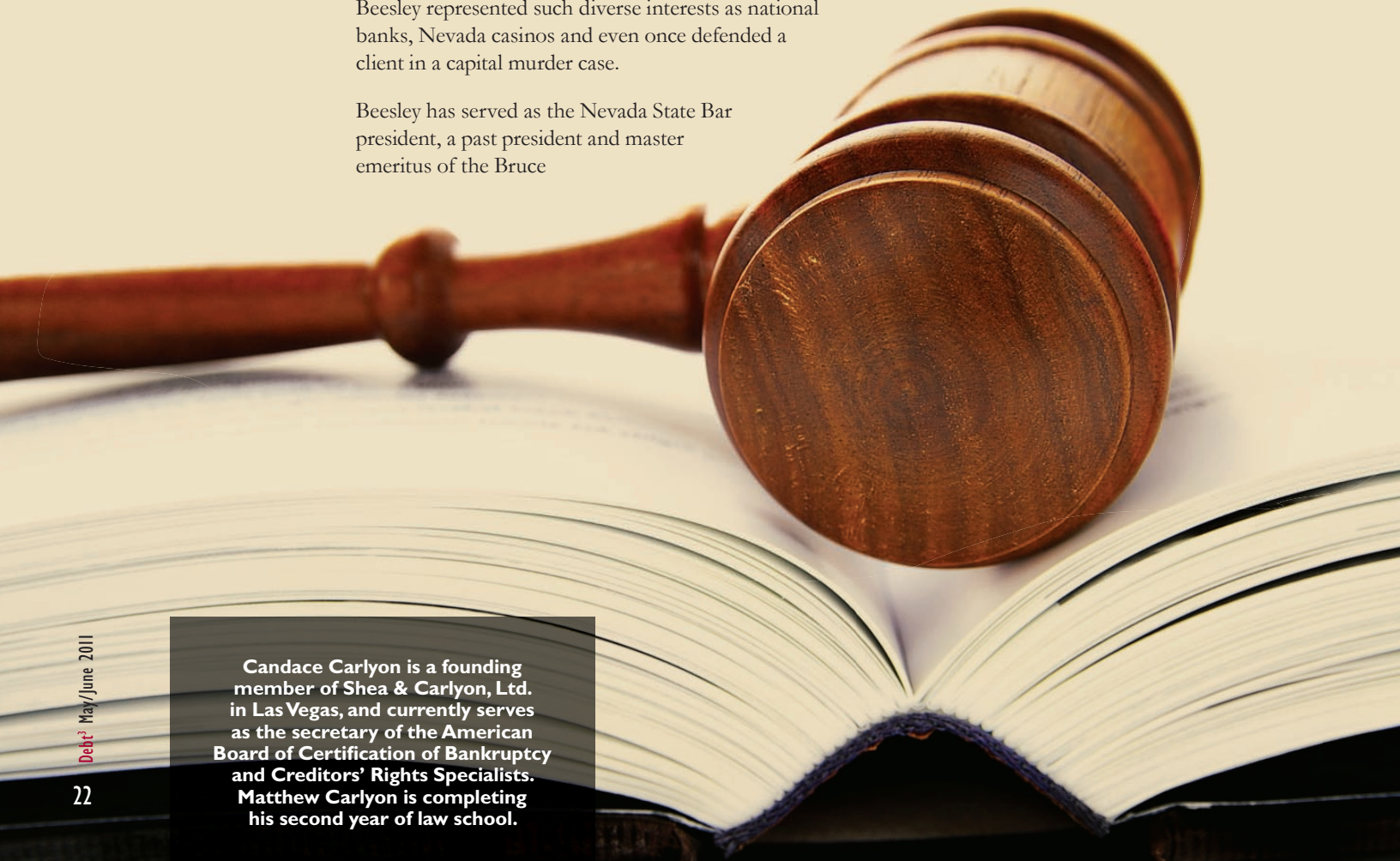
R. Thompson Chapter of the American Inns of Court, and a member of the American Bankruptcy Institute's Southwest Bankruptcy Conference.

He is also active in the community, including as a member of the Interfaith Hospitality Network, American Bar Foundation Fellow and Nevada Law Foundation colleague.

Beesley offers this advice to members of the bar: "Be honest with your clients, honest with yourself and be an attorney who can be trusted. Balance work and family life, because family is the most important part of your life."

As a judge, he hopes to emulate the qualities he most admires in other jurists, including being fair, pleasant to appear in front of, and capable of making prompt decisions.

Congratulations, Judge Beesley. ■



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