

# ABC Names New Officers, Directors, Emeritus Directors And Certified Attorneys

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*By C. Daniel Motsinger, Krieg DeVault LLP*

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*Finally, ABC wishes to welcome and congratulate the following attorneys who have been certified since November 2010 and thank all of its existing certified members for their continued success in serving the public interest by fostering bankruptcy and creditors' rights certification:*

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