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PBN Q&A

Lamoureux approved to serve as receiver in Rhode Island courts

Brian J. Lamoureux has been approved to serve as a receiver in Rhode Island courts. Lamoureux has more than 11 years of experience in commercial litigation matters and currently serves as senior counsel at Pannone Lopes Devereaux & West LLC. He has a B.A. in political science from Providence College, an M.A. in political science from the University of Rhode Island, a J.D. from Syracuse University College of Law and a master of public administration certificate from Syracuse's Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs.



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PBN: How does one become approved to serve as a receiver?

LAMOUREUX: In order to be qualified to serve as a receiver, an attorney must have a minimum number of years' experience as a practicing attorney as well as attain a level of knowledge and understanding regarding insolvency matters. The presiding justice of the Superior Court approves attorneys to serve as receivers, generally. I look forward to working with the Superior Court, creditors' counsel and debtors' counsel ... to serve as a receiver in a diligent, responsive and efficient manner.

PBN: Could you please describe what it means to be approved to serve as a receiver?

LAMOUREUX: Receivers are appointed on a case-by-case basis by a Superior Court Justice, usually at the request of a petitioning creditor or shareholder in a business dispute. Generally, court-appointed receivers act on behalf of the Superior Court to perform various functions, such as liquidating a business, operating a business for a period of time in the hopes of marketing and selling it and various other activities at the court's direction and in the best interests of creditors.

PBN: I notice that you are also a writer and presenter on e-communications and social networking. What led you to become involved in this, and what have you written/presented about recently?

LAMOUREUX: : I have always had a strong interest in the intersection between social media issues and employment issues. We are at the forefront of a challenging time: social media is everywhere, and it's causing some problems in the workplace that employers need to consider. I recently served as a panelist on the PBN's 2011 Social Media Summit and I am conducting a Social Media Policy workshop at my firm on April 15, 2011, where I will lead a seminar for human resource professionals and other business leaders. •