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Sudell to chair Bankruptcy Section of State Bar

Morris, Nichols, Arsht & Tunnell LLP announced that senior partner William H. Sudell, Jr. was unanimously elected as the Chairperson of the Bankruptcy Section of the Delaware State Bar Association for the year beginning July 1, 2006.

Sudell has been recognized in Chambers USA and The Best Lawyers in America as a leading professional in bankruptcy/restructuring. He has served on each of the three merit selection panels appointed by the Third Circuit Court of Appeals since 1994 to recommend persons to fill judicial vacancies on the Delaware Bankruptcy Court.

Sudell is a member of the Morris Nichols' Business Reorganization and Restructuring and Corporate and Business Litigation Groups. He represents debtors and creditors' committees, as well as secured and unsecured creditors, in Delaware and elsewhere.

Sudell earned a B.S./B.A. in

Aerospace Engineering from Brown University and a J.D. from the University of Pennsylvania Law School. He is a member of the American and Delaware State Bar Associations, the American Bankruptcy Institute and the Delaware Bankruptcy Inn of Court.

Green joins elite group

James S. Green, Sr., a founding member of the Wilmington law firm of Seitz, Van Ogtrop & Green, was inducted as a fellow of the International Academy of Trial Lawyers at the group's annual meeting.

Green, a graduate of Princeton University and the Villanova University Law School, has been a member of the Delaware Bar since 1972.

Membership in the Academy is limited to 500 active fellows in the United States under the Age of 70.

Habbart serves as moderator

Ellisa Opstbaum Habbart, a part-

ner with the law firm of The Delaware Counsel Group, LLP based out of Wilmington served as moderator and chair at the ABA Section of Business Law Spring Meeting. Habbart moderated the topic, "A New Regulatory Environment: Securitization after Regulation AB and the Securities Offering Reform."

Habbart also presented on the topic of limited liability companies at the 3rd Annual Institute for the Young Business Lawyers at the same ABE Spring Meeting. Habbart addressed the issues of voting, indemnification, exculpation, fiduciary duties, capital contributions, additional capital calls and remedies for default.

Habbart's practice focuses on Delaware corporate and alternative business entities, including advice in connection with the formation, operation and governance issues involving such entities.

Firm of Ashby & Geddes heads to '500'

Prominent law firm Ashby & Geddes is taking space in the new WSFS headquarters building at 500 Delaware Avenue in Downtown Wilmington.

The firm will lease 23,273 square feet in a 10-year lease. Financial terms were not disclosed.

Ashby & Geddes has 39 lawyers and is now located a short distance away at 222 Delaware Avenue. John Kaczowka and Brian Hopkins of CB Richard Ellis represented the landlord Buccini/Pollin Group.

The 500 Delaware building has leased more than half its space with Kaczowka noting that he has other verbal agreements.

The largest tenants in the building are WSFS, the law firm of Morris James and the U.S. Postal Service's new downtown office.

The building has state-of-the-art features, including a lack of pillars. That aids in office design.