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Awards and Recognitions

Curtis | Castillo PC was recognized as one of the Top 100 Largest Women-Owned Businesses in North Texas by the *Dallas Business Journal*, in the June 8-14, 2012, edition.



Our Firm also recently participated in the *Dallas Business Journal's* Women in Business Luncheon and Trade Show, held June 7, 2012, at the Irving Convention Center.

Upcoming Events

Mark A. Castillo will present his knowledge of the complex world of bank-ruptcy collections at an upcoming live audio webinar entitled *Bankruptcy Issues in Collection: A Paralegal's Guide*, sponsored by The National Business Institute and the Institute for Paralegal Education. This one-hour program takes place on Friday, June 15, 2012, at 3:00pm (CST). Traditional collections strategies are often derailed once a debtor has filed for bankruptcy, but not all is lost. Learn the crucial steps to take as soon as you learn that a debtor has filed and discover strategies to get relief from automatic stay. The program topics include an Introduction to Bankruptcy, Steps to be Taken in the Event of Bankruptcy, How to Deal With the Automatic Stay, Protecting Your Claim in Bankruptcy, Dealing With Avoidance Actions, and Discharge and Dischargeability of Debts.

For more information, or to register, please go to <u>www.ipe-sems.com</u>.

Speaking Engagements

Mark A. Castillo will lecture at The National Business Institute's bankruptcy seminar entitled *Collections: Seeking and Collecting a Judgment,* in Fort Worth, TX on Tuesday, September 18, 2012. The seminar is a Basic to Intermediate level program. Mr. Castillo will give a brief overview of the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act (FDCPA) and how to be mindful in addressing potential ethical problems that may arise in the collections process, including conflicts of interest, dealing appropriately with unrepresented persons, and knowing the extent of the lawyer's liability. He will also discuss the laws governing fraudulent conveyance as well as litigation strategies around asserting and defending against claims and the remedies available.

For more information on this upcoming seminar, or to register, please go to www.nbi-sems.com, or call (800) 930-6182.

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