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- **5th Cir.** Barner v. Saxon Mtge. Servs., Inc. (In re Barner), 597 F.3d 651 (5th Cir. 2010)(lift stay order granted pre-BAPCPA in debtor's prior chapter 7 did not have to comply with BAPCPA 362(b)(20) and (d)(4); adversary proceeding was not required to determine that lift stay and abandonment in prior case rendered postpetition foreclosure effective).
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- **11th Cir.** *Marathon Petroleum Co. v. Cohen (In re Delco Oil, Inc.)*, 599 F.3d 1255 (11th Cir. 2010)(trustee could recover debtor's funds which were transferred without authorization for use of cash collateral, despite transferee's provision of equivalent value and even if transferee acted without knowledge and in good faith).

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6th Cir. *PCFS Fin. v. Spragin (In re Nowak)*, 586 F.3d 450 (6th Cir. 2009)(informal proof of claim disallowed for creditor with avoided lien who failed to subsequently file unsecured claim when court determined distribution would be inequitable).

SEC. 503

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5th Cir. *Szwak v. Earwood (In re Bodenheimer, Jones, Szwak, & Winchell, LLP)*, 592 F.3d 664 (5th Cir. 2009)(compensation for prebankruptcy custodian must benefit the estate under 503(b)(3)(E); fees for opposition to involuntary bankruptcy filing held noncompensable).

SEC. 506

2d Cir. Ogle v. Fidelity & Deposit Co., 586 F.3d 143 (2d Cir. 2009)(unsecured claim for post-petition attorneys' fees authorized by prepetition contract is allowable and deemed to have arisen prepetition; 506(b), by negative implication, does not preclude such an unsecured claim).

6th Cir. *PCFS Fin. v. Spragin (In re Nowak)*, 586 F.3d 450 (6th Cir. 2009)(secured creditor not required to file claim to maintain collateral, but proof of claim is required to collect on unsecured deficiency).

9th Cir. Countrywide Home Loans, Inc. v. Hoopai (In re Hoopai), 581 F.3d 1090 (9th Cir. 2009)(506(b) entitles oversecured creditor to contractual attorney's fees prior to chapter 13 plan confirmation, preempting state law; Haw. state law governs post confirmation fees in which debtor was held to be prevailing party).

SEC. 507

9th Cir. Severo v. Comm'r of Internal Revenue, 586 F.3d 1213 (9th Cir. 2009)(taxes held nondischargeable under 523(a)(1)(A) and entitled to priority under 507(a)(8)(A)(i) when bankruptcy is filed less than 3 years after taxes were due).

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- **11th Cir.** *Robinson v. Tyson Foods, Inc.*, 595 F.3d 1269 (11th Cir. 2010)(chapter 13 debtor collaterally estopped from pursuing employment discrimination claim, filed postpetition, which she never listed on schedules despite continuing duty to amend).

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- **2d Cir.** *Jackson v. Novak (In re Jackson)*, 593 F.3d 171 (2d Cir. 2010)(litigation recovery for lost earnings attributable to postpetition period could be exempted under 522(d)(11)(E)).
- **9th Cir.** *Greene v. Savage (In re Greene)*, 583 F.3d 614 (9th Cir. 2009)(debtor's Nev. homestead exemption not limited by 522(p)(1) when property was acquired more than 1,215 days prepetition, despite fact that homestead claim arose during that period; absent amendment of schedules, estate is entitled to retain sales proceeds in excess of scheduled petition date value).
- **11th Cir.** *Baker v. Tardif (In re Baker)*, 590 F.3d 1261 (11th Cir. 2009)(profit-sharing plan did not have to comply with ERISA to qualify for FL state exemption).

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- **7th Cir.** Ojeda v. Goldberg, 599 F.3d 712 (7th Cir. 2010)("justifiable reliance" on misrepresentation under 523(a)(2)(A) required only that creditor did not blindly rely on patently false representation; forbearance on collection constitutes "extension or renewal" of credit preventing discharge of debt and resulted in creditor 's loss in value of collection remedies).

SEC. 523

- **7th Cir.** *Tidwell v. Smith (In re Smith),* 582 F.3d 767 (7th Cir. 2009)(actual notice of debtor doctor's chapter 7 filing 17 days prior to dischargeability deadline was insufficient to bar late filing of such a complaint by unlisted plaintiff patients pursuant to 523(a)(3)(B)).
- **9th Cir.** State Bar of Cal. v. Findley (In re Findley), 593 F.3d 1048 (9th Cir. 2010)(costs of attorney disciplinary proceedings are excepted from attorney's discharge as a governmental fine, penalty, or forfeiture under 523(a)(7)).
- **9th Cir.** Ormsby v. First Am. Title Co. (In re Ormsby), 591 F.3d 1199 (9th Cir. 2010)(state judgment for misappropriation of title plant and files of competitor was basis for issue preclusion supporting nondischargeability under 523(a)(4) and (6)).
- **9th Cir.** Severo v. Comm'r of Internal Revenue, 586 F.3d 1213 (9th Cir. 2009)(taxes held nondischargeable under 523(a)(1)(A) and entitled to priority under 507(a)(8)(A)(i) when bankruptcy is filed less than 3 years after taxes were due).
- **10th Cir.** *Johnson v. Riebesell (In re Riebesell)*, 586 F.3d 782 (10th Cir. 2009)(loan owed by lawyer-debtor to client held nondischargeable under 523(a)(2)(A) for failure to meet state imposed disclosure obligations for lawyers; post-judgment interest should be calculated at statutory rate rather than contract default rate since there was no contract post-judgment rate).
- **10th Cir.** *Melnor, Inc. v. Corey (In re Corey)*, 583 F.3d 1249 (10th Cir. 2009)(doctrine of issue preclusion rendered default fraud judgment in Va. federal district court preclusive in nondischargeability action under 523(a)(2)(A)).

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SEC. 541

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SEC. 543

5th Cir. Szwak v. Earwood (In re Bodenheimer, Jones, Szwak, & Winchell, LLP), 592 F.3d 664 (5th Cir. 2009)(compensation for prebankruptcy custodian must benefit the estate under 503(b)(3)(E); fees for opposition to involuntary bankruptcy filing held noncompensable).

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9th Cir. Chase Manhattan Bank v. Taxel (In re Deuel), 594 F.3d 1073 (9th Cir. 2010)(unrecorded deed of trust lender could not defend trustee's avoidance action based on secured listing on debtor's schedules or based on right of equitable subrogation from prior perfected lender that had filed a release of lien).

SEC. 546

3d Cir. Brandt v. B.A. Capital Co. (In re Plassein Int'l Corp.), 590 F.3d 252 (3d Cir. 2009)(payments made in LBO to privately-held, acquired companies' shareholders were non-avoidable under 546(e) as "settlement payments").

SEC. 547

1st Cir. *National Lumber Co. v. Riley (In re Reale)*, 584 F.3d 27 (1st Cir. 2009)(property held in joint bank account was an interest of the debtor in property since he could control its use, and, therefore, "earmarking" doctrine was inapplicable).

4th Cir. *United Rentals, Inc. v. Angell,* 592 F.3d 525 (4th Cir. 2010)(determination of whether transferee received more by virtue of preference is based solely on whether it would have received 100% from bankruptcy estate; discharge of inchoate lien rights or payment from surety did not constitute "new value").

8th Cir. Wells Fargo Home Mortgage, Inc. v. Lindquist, 592 F.3d 838 (8th Cir. 2010)(2 year old mortgage held avoidable if not recorded prepetition under 547(e)(2)(C) and value of mortgage was recoverable from initial, pre-transfer lender).

9th Cir. USAA Fed. Sav. Bank v. Thacker (In re Taylor), 599 F.3d 880 (9th Cir. 2010)(lien perfected on car 21 days after debtors took possession avoided as preference, giving trustee option to recover security interest or its value).

SEC. 548

5th Cir. *Stanley v. U.S. Bank, N.A.(In re TransTexas Gas Corp.),* 597 F.3d 298 (5th Cir. 2010)(transferee who was CEO at time of agreement to pay severance was "insider" under 548 despite fact he had left when payments were made; severance payment which was disproportionate to amount contractually owed did not provide reasonably equivalent value).

7th Cir. *Boyer v. Crown Stock Distribution, Inc.*, 587 F.3d 787 (7th Cir. 2009)(trustee was entitled to recover payment and "dividend" from shareholders who benefited from leveraged buyout, which had been structured as an asset sale and in which debtor did not receive reasonably equivalent value).

SEC. 552

3d Cir. Wawel Sav. Bank v. Jersey Tractor Trailer Training, Inc. (In re Jersey Tractor Trailer Training, Inc.), 580 F.3d 147 (3d Cir. 2009)(factor whose lien search did not reveal prior secured creditor may have been a holder in due course who acted in good faith; case remanded to resolve good faith issue under NJ law).

SEC. 727

11th Cir. *Coady v. D.A.N. Joint Venture III, LP (In re Coady),* 588 F.3d 1312 (11th Cir. 2009)(discharge could be denied under 727(a)(2)(A) when debtor concealed interest in wife's business to which he diverted his uncompensated labor and in which he personally participated).

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10th Cir. *Search Mkt. Direct, Inc. v. Jubber (In re Paige),* 584 F.3d 1328 (10th Cir. 2009)(substantially consummated plan can be reviewed on appeal and is not singularly dispositive of equitable mootness).

SEC. 1103

7th Cir. *In re Ray*, 597 F.3d 871 (7th Cir. 2010)(former attorney for committee lacked standing to appeal case dismissal order when he did not appear on his firm's behalf).

SEC. 1109

D.C. Cir. Advantage HealthPlan Inc. v. Potter (In re Greater Southeast Cmty. Hosp. Found., Inc.), 586 F.3d 1 (D.C. Cir. 2009)(courts do not extend broad standing of 1109 to appellate standing; corporate president of creditor was not "person aggrieved", and corporation needed attorney).

SEC. 1112

3d Cir. *In re 15375 Memorial Corp. v. BEPCO, LP*, 589 F.3d 605 (3d Cir. 2009)(filing chapter 11 for tactical advantage in litigation with no bankruptcy purpose supports dismissal for bad faith filing).

SEC. 1122

5th Cir. Bank of N.Y. Trust Co. v. Off. Unsec. Creds. Comm. (In re Pacific Lumber Co.), 584 F.3d 229 (5th Cir. 2009)(classes must contain "substantially similar" claims, but similar claims may be classed separately for good business reasons not include gerrymandering for voting; review of this issue was held equitably moot).

SEC. 1123

5th Cir. Schaefer v. Superior Offshore Int'l, Inc. (In re Superior Offshore Int'l, Inc.), 591 F.3d 350 (5th Cir. 2009)(liquidation plan was not required to provide conversion mechanism for subordinated securities when correct pro rata treatment and possible adjudication was adequate).

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5th Cir. Alberta Energy Partners v. Blast Energy Servs., Inc. (In re Blast Energy Servs., Inc.), 593 F.3d 418 (5th Cir. 2010)(1127 anti modification provision does not limit appellate review of confirmation order; review is only limited by equitable mootness doctrine).

5th Cir. Bank of N.Y. Trust Co. v. Off. Unsec. Creds. Comm. (In re Pacific Lumber Co.), 584 F.3d 229 (5th Cir. 2009)(equitable mootness does not apply to entire appeal and did not preclude review of treatment of specific claims).

10th Cir. *Search Mkt. Direct, Inc. v. Jubber (In re Paige),* 584 F.3d 1328 (10th Cir. 2009)(neither constitutional nor equitable mootness prevented review on appeal of plan confirmation despite substantial consummation).

SEC. 1129

3d Cir. *In re Philadelphia Newspapers, LLC,* 599 F.3d 298 (3d Cir. 2010)(plain meaning of 1129(b)(2)(A) permits debtor to conduct asset sale under subdivision (iii) without allowed secured creditor to credit bid).

5th Cir. Bank of N.Y. Trust Co. v. Off. Unsec. Creds. Comm. (In re Pacific Lumber Co.), 584 F.3d 229 (5th Cir. 2009)(absolute priority rule and fair and equitable standard must be satisfied to cram down plan over a dissenting class; secured noteholders received indubitable equivalent by cash payment of court-determined value of collateral and were not entitled to credit bid).

SEC. 1141

1st Cir. Boston and Maine Corp. v. Mass. Bay Transp. Auth., 587 F.3d 89 (1st Cir. 2009)(under 1898 Bankruptcy Act, claim for environmental liability contribution was barred for contamination which occurred prior to bankrupt's discharge).

6th Cir. *Tam Travel, Inc. v. Delta Airlines, Inc. (In re Travel Agent Comm. Antitrust Litigation)*, 583 F.3d 896 (6th Cir. 2009)(reorganized debtor is generally liable for its post confirmation conduct; however, reorganized debtor's maintenance of its prepetition commission policy held not to be a continuing antitrust violation).

SEC. 1142

7th Cir. *Grede v. Bank of N.Y. Mellon*, 598 F.3d 899 (7th Cir. 2010)(trustee of liquidation trust created by confirmed plan may pursue third-party claim that was assigned to trust).

SEC. 1222

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SEC. 1306

11th Cir. *Robinson v. Tyson Foods, Inc.*, 595 F.3d 1269 (11th Cir. 2010)(qualified property acquired during case was property of estate).

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5th Cir. Ford Motor Credit Co. v. Dale (In re Dale), 582 F.3d 568 (5th Cir. 2009)(under Tex. law, claim which included financing of negative equity in traded auto, gap insurance, and extended warranty constituted purchase money obligations entitled to protection of 1325(a) hanging paragraph).

6th Cir. *Nuvell Credit Corp. v. Westfall (In re Westfall)*, 599 F.3d 498 (6th Cir. 2010)(under Ohio law, claim which included financing of negative equity in traded auto constituted purchase money obligations entitled to protection of 1325(a) hanging paragraph and could not be bifurcated).

- **7th Cir.** *In re Howard*, 597 F.3d 852 (7th Cir. 2010)(under III. law, claim which included financing of negative equity in traded auto constituted purchase money obligations entitled to protection of 1325(a) hanging paragraph and could not be bifurcated).
- **8th Cir.** Ford Motor Credit Co v. Mierkowski (In re Mierkowski), 580 F.3d 740 (8th Cir. 2009)(claim which included financing of negative equity in traded auto was still entitled to purchase money security interest protection of 1325(a) hanging paragraph); accord Nuvell Credit Co. v. Callicott (In re Callicott), 580 F.3d 753 (8th Cir. 2009).
- **9th Cir.** Countrywide Home Loans, Inc. v. Hoopai (In re Hoopai), 581 F.3d 1090 (9th Cir. 2009)(506(b) entitles oversecured creditor to enforce contractual attorney's fees up to date of chapter 13 plan confirmation, preempting state law; "effective date" of plan is date when plan becomes binding by court order of confirmation).
- **10th Cir.** *Hamilton v. Lanning*, 545 F.3d 1269 (10th Cir. 2008), *cert granted* 130 S. Ct. 487 (2009)(review limited to question of effects of income and expense changes during plan period on "projected disposable income").

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- **7th Cir.** *United States v. Arthur*, 582 F.3d 713(7th Cir. 2009)(violation of 152(5) found despite marital agreement that non debtor wife claimed entitled her to property; court found agreement fraudulent and also held debtor husband 152(2) for nondisclosure of assets).
- **9th Cir.** *United States v. Edwards*, 595 F.3d 1004 (9th Cir. 2010)(criminal restitution under Mandatory Victim's Recovery Act with its penal objectives cannot be waived by civil settlement of bankruptcy claim).

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28 U. S. C. 157

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5th Cir. Lone Star Fund V (U.S.) v. Barclays Bank PLC, 594 F.3d 383 (5th Cir. 2010)(fraud allegations against mortgage backed securities seller gave rise to contractual indemnification rights against its seller-debtor which supported "related to" jurisdiction).

28 U. S. C. 158

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28 U.S.C. 455

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28 U. S. C. 1334

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28 U. S. C. 1452

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4th Cir. *MR Crescent City, LLC v. Draper (In re Crescent City Estates, LLC),* 588 F.3d 822 (4th Cir. 2009)(28 USC 1447(c) does not permit recovery of legal fees from attorney who erroneously removes action from state court; statute applies solely to litigants).

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RULE 7015

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RULE 8009

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1st Cir. *National Lumber Co. v. Riley (In re Reale)*, 584 F.3d 27 (1st Cir. 2009)(successor judge to nonjury trial not required to recall witnesses without request from party).

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