

Preamble and Resolution, November 10, 2022

Paul Asofsky, a colleague and friend to many conference members, passed away on October 28 at the age of 81. Paul's upbeat and laser sharp window into the world of bankruptcy tax will be sorely missed. Paul was always engaging, understandable and user-friendly, whether delivering a report to the Conference or advising colleagues and clients. Paul's many achievements as a lawyer should not overshadow his generosity and kindness and his dedication to public life both in Brooklyn, NY and Houston, Texas. He was a "mensch" - a person with the qualities that one would hope for in a friend or trusted colleague.

Resolution of the National Bankruptcy Conference

WHEREAS, Paul Asofsky was a valued member and emeritus member of the Conference and a long serving chair of the Bankruptcy Tax Committee.

WHEREAS, Paul received his BA from Columbia University and JD from Harvard Law School.

WHEREAS, Paul joined Weil Gotshal & Manges in 1990, where he ultimately took the helm of the firm's tax practice in Houston, Texas. His expertise and experience covered not only the tax aspects of bankruptcy and restructuring but also private equity transactions.

WHEREAS, Paul's reputation and influence extended nationally across the tax and bankruptcy community. He had a key role in the reforms that were included in the Bankruptcy Tax Act of 1980. He was the ABA Representative that worked with the House Judiciary Committee and Treasury to draft those laws.

WHEREAS, Paul was a respected teacher at the University of Houston Law Center where he taught courses in bankruptcy taxation and tax policy and was an adjunct professor at New York University School of Law. He was also a founding member of the Houston Tax Roundtable and a fellow with the American College of Tax Counsel.

WHEREAS, Paul's engaging personality as well as his integrity, intellect and sense of humor were appreciated by his fellow members of the Conference.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the National Bankruptcy Conference recognizes the accomplishments, outstanding character and abilities of Paul Asofsky as well as his contributions to the National Bankruptcy Conference, legal education and the improvement of bankruptcy law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the National Bankruptcy Conference expresses its sincere condolences to Paul's wife, Maida, his children, Dean, Douglas and Renee and their families.