Guidelines for Submission of Materials and Statements
April 19, 2017

1. The ABI Commission on Consumer Bankruptcy ("Commission") is dedicated to an open process and invites the views of anyone interested in consumer bankruptcy.

2. The Commission will maintain a public email address and web site through which anyone can submit written statements. These statements will be archived and made available to the entire Commission. Persons submitting written comments are encouraged to keep the comments concise.

3. The Commission intends to hold open meetings at which interested individuals can make statements to the Commission or its committees. The Commission will make every effort to publicize these meetings.
   a. Each speaker will have a limited amount of time to make a statement. Typically, this will be five minutes although this may be extended by the Commission (or committee running the open meeting) if more time is available at a particular meeting.
   b. If more individuals want to make a statement than the available time allows, preference will be given to those who have (1) also submitted a written statement with an intention to appear at the meeting or (2) have not submitted a written statement but signed up in advance to appear at the meeting.
   c. The Commission (or committee running the open meeting) also may reserve time to allow for statements from persons representing professional organizations, governmental entities, or other groups.