



The Federal Bar Association Phoenix Chapter presents:

## **The Looming Student Loan Crisis—Can Bankruptcy Provide Relief to Troubled Borrowers**

**Guest Speakers:**

**The Honorable Madeleine C. Wanslee, U.S. Bankruptcy Judge, United States Bankruptcy Court, District of Arizona**

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National student loan debt now totals more than \$1.5 trillion, and many borrowers are finding it increasingly difficult to keep current. Student loan debt has historically been very difficult to discharge in bankruptcy. However, there is a new push by courts, commentators and attorneys to revisit the rigid test of undue hardship set forth in *In re Brunner*. Our panel will discuss the Brunner test, how it is being applied by the courts, and what changes might be necessary to ensure that student loan debt does not become a permanent drag on the economy and the lives of student loan borrowers.

**Thursday, January 19, 2017, at 12:00 – 1:15PM**

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