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# **Presidents Message**



Hello and welcome to Professional Repossessor Magazine. This complimentary magazine is provided by Allied Finance Adjusters Conference Inc. *The mission statement of Allied is as follows:* 





### **Mission Statement:**

Allied Finance Adjusters Conference Inc. is a nonprofit national association of individuals who own and operate repossession companies. We are committed to the promotion of excellence within our profession. Allied does this by educating our members and those associated with the finance industry regarding innovations, changes and improvements that affect this trade and give them the opportunity to exchange knowledge, experience, and ideas in a collaborative environment.

With this mission statement in mind the board of directors of Allied has restarted this magazine in hopes to advance our industry through better communications. This being the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Allied, I would like to tell you about our association. Twice a year our agents come together in one place to share ideas, exchange information, participate in industry related education, get updates on changing laws and stay current on industry issues. When you hire an Allied agent, you are getting the very best. Prior to acceptance, each member must meet strict criteria to qualify for our membership. We conduct a criminal background investigation, credit check and a lot inspection. Each member must have multiple years in the industry, the correct liability insurance, a business location and the correct equipment to get the job done right.

When it comes to hiring an agent, we know you have a choice. We believe the members of Allied represent the very best our industry has to offer. When it is time to choose an agent, please remember to reach for the Allied directory or visit our website at **www.alliedfinanceadjusters.com** where you can use the agent locator on the home page.





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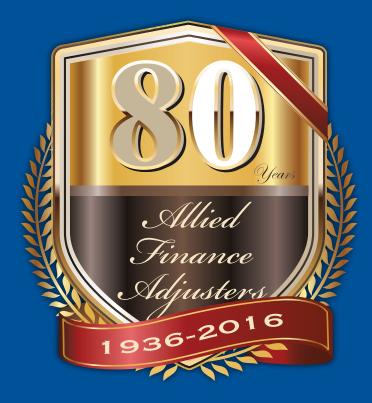
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### The Recovery Agents Benefit Fund (The RABF)...A Year in Review



Years ago, when word of a repossessor's injury or death occurred, donations to the Recovery Agents Benefit Fund a recognized 501c3 organization, quickly followed. Then with the turn in the economy and the slow recovery those donations have essentially stopped.... A troubling sign of the times.

Thanks to the generosity of Anthony Gentile and Dynamic Manufacturing, fundraising efforts have continued at industry functions where the RABF is given the opportunity to sell raffle tickets for a Dynamic Slide-In unit that is provided year after year. But even those sales are down.

In 2015, the RABF was called upon to assist 8 families. Disbursements in 2015 totaled over \$39,000 to help the 8 families assisted in 2015. These funds are collected primarily from the sale of the raffle tickets for the Dynamic Slide In Unit donated by Anthony Gentile and Dynamic Manufacturing. Anthony has pledged anot her unit for 2016, winner to be drawn in Nov 2016 at the Baltimore Tow Show (do not need to be present to win) – where Dynamic has a big following and presence; raffle tickets are available for purchase online. http://www.recoveryagentsbenefitfund.org/raffle.asp

2015 also saw more lenders stepping up to donate to the fund and we hope they will continue their support in 2016. The fund also collected over \$20,000 from donations and an auction held at the RSIG/Allied Finance Adjusters Annual meeting and almost \$10,000 was donated from collection efforts at the Primeritus meeting held in Nashville last year. (A special thanks is extended to Martin Giles of Atlantic Wrecker Sales who donated several pieces of sports memorabilia to the RABF auction that helped drive bids and ultimately donations to the RABF!) Also, a few more individuals are beginning to make regular monthly contributions and several have pledged larger (\$500 or more) annual contributions.

In an industry that continues to be fragmented, the RABF is one place where everything should be set aside, where repossessors can come together and show support for one another. The RABF has an advisory committee with a representative from each national trade association and the larger state associations in California and Florida. These individuals have the responsibility and honor of promoting the RABF within their association. John Michel of WebWeaver USA serves as the RABF Advisory Committee Chairman and assists in disseminating information to the committee about specific requests, updating the RABF website and donation collection at industry events.

In July 2015 RABF advisory committee members, Jim Hall and Patrick Altes met with the RABF accountant to go over the fund's financials and practices. They were pleased to learn that approximately 95% of donations to the RABF are able to be passed on directly to repossessors and their families. Administrative expenses account for a mere 4.5 - 5% of Fund revenue - which are primarily credit card processing fees charged by PayPal and the Fund's merchant service provider.

Supporting the RABF should not be left solely in the hands of repossessors. Vendors, service providers, clients and lenders should also step up and support this industry. Repossessors serve a vital role in the financial adjustment industry.

To date the RABF has helped 61 families with disbursements totaling over \$284,000.00. Unfortunately we do not see the need for the RABF ending anytime soon and we plan on being here to continue to help; but we could use your help for us to continue our mission of supporting our brothers and sisters in this industry.

To all those who have donated in the past, your support and generosity are greatly appreciated. To those who may just be learning about the RABF, donations can be made via PayPal at our website (www.recoveryagentsbenefitfund.org), or can be mailed to RABF, PO Box 4102, Manassas, VA 20108.

To those who have heard of the RABF, but have not donated, we ask you to think about what would happen if you were to find yourself suddenly in the position of having lost your loved one, or the financial provider for your family, not knowing where to turn and no or very little other means of support. And if you're an employer of someone who has received assistance from the fund we ask you to remember how much of a help the funds were to that family, and ask you in return to support the fund that supported you or someone you've known. It's time to pay it forward!

### YOU NEVER KNOW WHEN YOU MAY MAKE THE NEXT HEADLINE

18 Year Old Charged with Using a Car As a Weapon. Texas – An 18 year old dragged a Texas repo man 100ft...

Bond Denied SC Repo Man Shooter & Co-Defendant South Carolina – Bail has been denied to last week's

Frantic Man Tries To Drive Vehicle Off Wheel Lift During Repossession.

Knoxville Woman Indicted for Ramming Repo Man.

Memphis RepoMan Shot Possibly Paralyzed.

OH Man Shoots at Repo Men & Crashes SUV.

Shots Fired as RepoMan is Confronted by Angry Debtor.

Repo Man Seriously Injured After Wild Ride on the Hood.

RABF (Recovery Agents Benefit Fund) helping repossessors and their families since 2002.

Donations can be made online at www.recoveryagentsbenefitfund.org

### The History of Allied Finance Adjusters Conference

#### The Beginning:

Allied Finance Adjusters Conference, Inc. was founded in 1936 by eight men with a profound vision of the future. A few years prior to our founding a new financial instrument was initiated by the financial community known as Chattel Mortgage Lending. That instrument and the new mobility of borrowers at that time sparked the idea of coordinating a network of collection people to strategically locate collateral nationwide and assist lending institutions in recovering property from defaulted agreements. They had the first meeting in Saint Louis, Missouri in the summer of 1936. At that meeting this association was formally born. The name chosen was "THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF THE ALLIED FINANCE ADJUSTERS CONFERENCE." Following an election of officers, a blue print plan for the future was created. They pooled their money and invested in cooperative advertising. Thus the first finance adjusters' directory was printed and mailed to lenders across the country. It was printed on newspaper stock and mailed first class. Keeping in mind that this was the 1930's, all of this work was done by hand, the hands of our founders, all working together to reach one goal, serving the financial community.

#### 1940's

As the years progressed the association began to grow in membership and in lender acceptance. Membership doubled and then tripled into the early 1940's. The members were becoming trusted "allies" of the financial community. All was going according to plan. The association was growing and they were holding annual meetings to discuss the direction of the association. All efforts came to a halt when the United States entered World War II.





#### Post War:

There was divisiveness in the ranks so strong the association split into two separate entities. The name of the association split as well. Thus the founding of Allied Finance Adjusters Conference and its offshoot National Finance Adjusters was spawned. The competition was healthy and both associations began to grow and prosper. Allied was incorporated in 1951 in the state of Illinois as a Not For Profit Corporation. As per the articles of incorporation, all funds generated by the association are to be spent on cooperative advertising, education, a wareness and the operation of the association. Allied has no paid officers.

#### 1980's

All was well within Allied for the past 25 years. Then due to circumstances beyond the control of the association the Department of Justice decided that it wrong for the association to publish a minimum price schedule for the services offered. The Justice Department brought action against the association and in addition was cited for a restraint of trade due to the association's exclusive membership. In 1980 Allied entered into a Consent Decree to eliminate publishing suggested rates and fees thus eliminating the problems dealing with the charge of price fixing.



#### 1990's

Things began to settle down and Allied began to grow again. Much the same as the kids game of "King of the Hill", Allied was again threatened with a suit for restraint of trade due to its exclusive membership format. At a meeting held in the early 1990's a motion was brought from the floor stating that any territories that were open as of that date were no longer exclusive. The motion went on to say that, at the current members discretion in any territory, the member may, at his option, elect to make his membership non-exclusive. Further, if for any reason any territory becomes open, it shall not be re-opened as an exclusive. The motions carried.

#### 2000's

Allied is now and has always been in complete compliance with the Consent Decree entered into in 1980. Since 2008, there are no exclusive territories and Allied has welcomed all applicants meeting its strict criteria. There are benefits to holding a membership in the Allied Finance Adjusters Conference, Inc. Those benefits are as always, cooperative advertising coupled with conventions that educate, inform, and encourage client participation and interaction. Allied also has a public relations program that sets up display booths at many Bank and Credit Union functions each year. Membership dollars go to fund these programs and not into the pockets of those who purport to be acting in your best interest. In 2006 Allied launched its new website.

### The History of Allied Finance Adjusters Conference



#### 2010's

In early 2011 Allied spent months revamping the AFA website, adding state of the art membership databases and search engine functionality, allowing the automation of the new member application process and annual membership bond issuance. The new secure and compliant client assignment portal uses no third party software. Allied's new website was designed and built with the client in mind.

In mid 2012, Allied and RSIG created the first ever "Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB) Compliance Training" education program for its members. Allied also created a standardized "Federal Employee Handbook" for its members to further the professionalism demanded by legislation and the industry itself. By late 2012 CFPB was in full swing. Allied simplified the process of providing clients with its members compliance documents via the AFA Website. Clients can now view the members profile page and download their basic compliance documents with one click. This program is strictly voluntary and by mid 2014 over 3/4 of the members have participated in uploading documents.

2013 brought the first ever joint convention with Allied and RSIG. Located in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida the attendance exceeded over 400 vendors, speakers and repossessors. The event was the largest gathering in history. This same year Allied was the first trade to mail out two membership directories. The Annual directory was sent out to over 27 thousand banks, credit unions and financial institutions nationwide. The Midyear directory was mailed to over 14 thousand automotive new and used car dealers, buy here pay here and subprime lenders nationwide. In early 2013 over 41 thousand directories were put into the hands of clients. A industry first! Late 2013 AFA invited TFA and RSIG to attend their Mid Year Meeting. They offered CFPB Compliance training to all members.

In 2014 Allied again joined RSIG in Chicago, Illinois for their annual convention, breaking records and industry firsts run in the Allied family! The joint convention in Chicago exceeded 500 attendees. In Mid 2014 Allied introduced "The Star Recognition" program. Members are now recognized on the AFA website for their service and commitment to Allied. Members receive gold stars for; serving on the board of directors, being a committee chairperson or a divisional director and receiving an award. Members also receive a star for 5 years of continuous membership. This identifies to the client the members participation and ongoing commitment to Allied. At the same time Allied introduced the first membership interactive search map. Clients can now search by their customers zip code, locate the closest Allied member, zoom in and see the Allied's members physical office location via street view. Allied does not allow ghost or phantom member offices period. This is Allied's commitment to the truth in advertising to the lenders and clients. By late 2014 the Allied membership exceeded 300 members, actual members not offices or locations. Making Allied the largest trade to the industry by leaps and bounds!

#### 2015

In 2015 Allied released on their website the "State Facts and Requirements" pages. Clients and members can now search by state for the laws and licensing requirements regarding repossessions. The amount of data collected on these pages surpasses any other trade in the industry. In late 2015 Allied implemented the first ever Client login! Clients can log into the AFA website, add the members they have approved and manage their compliance documents. Clients will be notified of the members expiring documents and can contact the members directly through the system, make notes and much more. Another first in the industry!

In 2016 Allied released the most invading and cutting edge mobile app of any trade in the repossession history! The Allied Finance Adjusters Conference app is available on Apple IOS, Microsoft and Android platforms. The app includes live real time member search function, convention functions, notifications and more. This state of the art mobile app will be ever developing.

#### In closing:

Allied may very well be your best investment for the future but please be prepared to pitch in and work. Just the same as the founders of this association way back in the 1930's, it takes energy and guidance from each and every member of this association to make it work for us all. Current members of Allied Finance Adjusters Conference, Inc. encourage and support fellow members and all new applicants desiring to get in on the ground floor of the oldest, largest, Not-For-Profit and fastest growing independent national repossessor trade association. To date all Allied officers are volunteers sharing their ideas and professionalism with the membership and the trade.

For more information about Allied Finance Adjusters Conference please contact the AFA home office.

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### The Missing Compliance Issue

First, our team at American Transportation Insurance Group (ATIG) would like to congratulate those who are bringing back to life the Professional Repossessor Magazine. Regardless of today's incredible technology, the "written word" still appeals to thousands of collateral recovery specialists across the country as well as many in the lending community and insurance agents who offer coverages to the recovery industry. It is comforting and relaxing to be able to sit down with a cup of coffee, open up a magazine containing information that is of interest to you and even save it for future reference.

The new CFPB compliance requirements addresses data security, identify theft, protection of nonpublic personal information and more. There is no question that these compliance mandates are important in order to further ensure consumer safety.

However, I would like to address a "compliance" issue that is far more costly to the collateral recovery specialist and their longevity in business. This "compliance" issue has brought about more claims and caused more insurance carriers to leave the marketplace than all the other "compliance" issues combined.

This "compliance" issue we are writing about is tow truck claims, most especially rear end collisions. Over the past 10 years approximately 15 insurance carriers have stopped writing coverages for collateral recovery specialists, the primary reason being tow truck claims. It is apparent that too many recovery agency owners are neglecting this most important aspects of training of their field agents.

Tow truck claims have become almost epidemic and one of the results is that insurance carriers are tightening their underwriter guidelines for non-renewal of coverages, even denying claims. In this article we would like to bring to your attention a new phenomenon that carriers are looking at to determine "insurance worthiness"... social media.

In the past, insurance underwriting guidelines, which sets the rules as to whether you are insurable were primarily based on your past driving record and then expanded into looking at your credit history....why your credit history? Because it speaks of your character and habits (including driving habits). Now, the new phenomenon carriers are looking at is social media posts, including photos that might indicate irresponsibility and/or the potential for violating an individual's (primarily the debtor's) privacy rights.

Like a double edged sword, social media can be a great way to communicate or if used irresponsibly can make you bleed headaches. **Remember, what you post on any social media site doesn't go away....EVER!**  Our research of social media posts by some (irresponsible) recovery agents that insurance carriers are looking at include the following examples:

- 1. Selfie of recovery agent and girlfriend and repossessed vehicle with the comment, "Got that dead beat pr---k."
- 2. Selfie with comment about the firearms he carries in his tow truck.
- 3. Selfie with repossession hooked to tow truck with the comment, "Another dirt bag bites the dust."
- 4. Comment by the recovery agent, "I'm locked and loaded and looking for another dead beat debtor."
- 5. Video showing debtor chasing recovery agent that had just repossessed his vehicle with the comment, "Another dead beat debtor bites the dust."
- 6. Photo showing debtor's tag number with the vehicle hooked to tow truck with comment, "Hooked and booked."

We could include many more of these comments and videos but I think you "get the message."

Insurance carriers consider such behavior irresponsible, a potential for litigation and a primary basis for determining potential risks which can lead to non-renewal of coverages and even denial of claims. If litigation results from an insurance claim and an attorney finds this kind of "ammunition" on social media such as the above examples that he can use in court you can be sure he will take that advantage.

The recovery industry is a **profession** and those who intend to remain a part of the profession for the long-term need to **conduct themselves as professionals** and I think any professional would agree that the examples we have given in this article do not, in any way, denote professional behavior.

In our next article we will expand on additional reasons why tow truck crashes happen and why the importance of proper and comprehensive driver training is critical to your long-term success in the collateral recovery industry. **Remember, if you are unable to qualify for the proper coverages, you are out of business!** 

American Transportation Insurance Group (ATIG) offers insurance coverages designed especially for the collateral recovery industry and the private towing industry across the country. For more information about our programs or to apply for a quote please contact us at: Telephone: (877) 933-2550

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### Man (or Woman) in the Mirror

#### From the desk of: Dana Loan, Recovery Specialist Insurance Group, Manassas, VA

One of my favorite songs from the 1980's is Michael Jackson's Man in the Mirror. This was an anthem of sorts for self-help where the lyrics called upon people everywhere to take a hard look at themselves and the world and make a change.

That is exactly what this industry needs to do. For years there have been calls for unity, but unity will never come to fruition when you yourself are conflicted or are unable or unwilling to stand up for yourself. The industry is grasping desperately for anything that promises change, yet when push comes to shove very few are willing to do what needs to be done themselves.

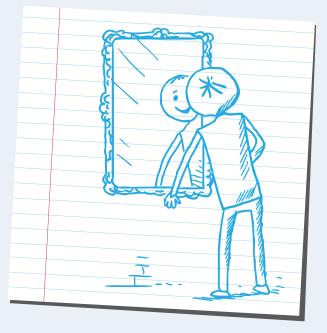
Aristotle is given credit for the quote: "The Whole is Greater than the Sum of its Parts". This is supposed to mean that an entirety of something (let's say - the entire repossession industry) is stronger or better than the pieces that comprise it (let's say – the individual repossession companies that comprise it). But on the flip side of that coin is "The Chain is only as strong as its weakest link."

You each want an end to contingent contracts, an end to forwarders, an end to free keys, free storage, free transportation and to the absurdly low fees that you're currently accepting. Yet...most will sign contingent contracts, work for forwards (promoting their success in the industry, not yours), provide free keys, free storage, free transportation and will do it all for pre-1980's fees of \$225 per repo. Even if you're doing "their" work on the side, you're still doing it, giving them positive results.

Each major trade association in the industry has stood up at their meetings at some point and talked about how detrimental this is. But how many of you are still doing it? Or how many of you have **<u>BECOME</u>** it yourselves in order to try to survive? How many of you are accepting a client assignment, taking your share off the top and are asking your brother/sister in industry to do more for less? So if your chosen association has said it should end, and every group at some point has shared the same voice...then why hasn't it ended already?

There have been calls by some in the industry to have insurance carriers tell you that you can't do work for these companies, but you won't make the decision for yourself not to do it. You complain to your insurance provider about having to give them too much information, about having to get driver's approved, etc. yet when you don't get pricing you want, don't get that driver that you have to have added or find out that claim is not covered - you shop your coverage and find a carrier that you hope will. It isn't up to the insurance carrier to make business decisions for you. Insurance providers have repeatedly pointed out potential insurance issues with these contracts, yet within seconds of the send button being hit on the email or the article being posted, you are asking for certificates for these companies and you're doing their work.

Calls for unity in the industry will never work until you can trust your brother or sister in the industry not to say one thing and do another. It will never work for the industry to say NO, but for you individually to say YES!



<sup>1</sup> Lyrics. "Man in the Mirror". Written by: Glen Ballard & Siedah Garrett. Performed by: Michael Jackson. Released: Jan 1988, Bad. Produced by: Quincy Jones. <u>http://www.metrolyrics.com/man-in-the-mirror-lyrics-michael-jackson.html</u> So back to the lyrics...

I'm starting with the Man in the Mirror, I'm asking him to change his ways. And no message could have been any clearer, If you wanna make the world a better place, take a look at yourself and then make a change.<sup>1</sup>

Only after you have changed your own mind set, will change happen and at that point and that point only will the collective voice of the industry be heard.



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CALR is pro-active in introducing and passing legislation in California. We are the largest and oldest state repossession association in the United States. Many states look to California for guidance in enacting and passing legislation in their states. California has been a platform for other states to enact licensing as well. We depend on other states to support CALR for this reason. Please see attached for some of the more important laws passed in California that help the repossessor in the field effectively gain and retain possession of the collateral.

Our lobbyist Jerry Desmond (second generation lobbyist) of Desmond and Desmond in Sacramento and our legislative liaison Joe Collins works successfully together Jerry to get laws passed.

Under section 7505.2.-a boat, trailer, reefer, etc... can be taken with the repossession. As a result we don't have to disconnect anything attached at the time of the repossession.

7505.2. (3) This allows the repossessor to move a motorcycle, jet-ski, move a vehicle on Go-Jacks, etc...

7505.2. (4) This allows the repossessor to retain possession once they have gained control by any means.

7505.2. (b) This doesn't allow any other entity to instruct the repossessor to drop the vehicle for a drop fee or no fee at all if the customer gets on the phone and makes a payment, etc...

7507.4. This removes the repossessor or limits their exposure as far as any FDCPA regulation is concerned.

7502.2. (a) Section 241 of the vehicle code doesn't allow BHPH to hire tow companies or companies that aren't licensed to repossess to recover vehicles on their behalf.

Section 41612 doesn't place the burden on repossessor to obtain the repossession release from the police department.

Section 28 of the vehicle code doesn't require the repossessor to mail in the police report on every repossession they call in. They simply have to provide 1-4.



Marcelle Egley CALR President



Jerry Desmond CALR Lobbyist



Joey Collins CALR Legislative Liaison

# **Allied supports State Associations**

#### Illinois Recovery Association (IRA)

The Illinois Recovery Association has been servicing the recovery agencies in Illinois since 2002. "The Road Ahead Starts Here" Become a IRA Supporter or Member Today!

Visit www.illinoisrecoveryassociation.com for more information or call (847) 366-2691 Al Janus - President

#### Colorado Association of Professional Repossessors Inc (CAPRI)

A professional repossession association offering superior service, and to eliminate poor business practices, fraud, unjustified charges and other improper acts and procedures, being always consistent with Colorado and Federal laws.

**Become a CAPRI Supporter or Member Today!** Visit www.coloradoprorepo.com for more information or call (303) 428-8956

#### Michigan Association of Repossession Agencies (MARA)

Become a MARA Supporter or Member Today! For information email michassocrepo@gmail.com or call (616)453-6447 Mark Haskins - President

#### Carolina Finance Adjusters (CFA)

The Carolina Finance Adjusters Association(CFA) has accepted your request to bring together all who are involved in the business of recovering collateral for the lending industry in South Carolina. Our mission is to bring together recovery agents and their clientele, appropriate government agencies and regulatory authorities in hopes of improving the professionalism of collateral repossession as an honorable profession and to improve the image of those who work within the industry.

#### Become a CFA Supporter or Member Today!

For more information www.carolinafinanceadjusters.org or call (843) 760-0520 Scott Chambers - President

#### Florida Alliance Of Certified Asset Recovery Specialists (Flacars)

Florida repossession law serves as a model for many states considering similar legislation. What happens in Florida is important to the collateral recovery industry nationwide.

#### Become a FLACARS Supporter or Member today!

Visit www.flacars.net for more information or call us at 561-697-8300.

**Edwardo Wolmers - President** 

Thank you for your time and attention in this matter."

#### California Association of Licenses Repossessors (CALR)

History has shown that many states in our nation adopt the laws passed in California. Become a CALR Supporter or Member Today! Visit www.CALR.org for more information or call (818) 945-CALR (2257) Marcelle Egley - President

# **2016 AFA Annual Convention Speakers**



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Machelle Morris is the foremost national legal expert on issues relating to repossession and security interest enforcement. She has spent over twenty years focusing on repossession laws and regulations, and small business survival. She is currently on retainer for Allied Finance Adjusters Association, as the go-to legal advisor for the Association and its members.

With so many years in the industry, she has developed a vast knowledge of repossession laws in every State, as well as an understanding of how state and federal regulations affect repossession businesses across the country.

She was involved in creating and maintaining an online account management system for repossession businesses. She helped frame a comprehensive written course to train collateral recovery specialists. And she has advised a host of recovery agents on real-world compliance issues and contract issues.

Over the years, Machelle has taught and tested repossessors and their employers about the changing legal environment affecting their industry on many occasions. She was invited to (and did) sit on a roundtable panel to inform Consumer Financial Protection Bureau members about collateral recovery and its effect on military service members. Several State laws directly reflect her input to the legislature on behalf of repossession business owners.

Machelle is licensed to practice law in Texas, New Mexico and Washington. She is a qualified mediator/arbitrator; is a member of the Intellectual Property Law and Consumer Law Sections of the State Bar of Texas; is a licensed auctioneer; and is available as an expert witness on issues of collateral recovery and financial vendor compliance.



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Mike is the Managing Partner of the Philadelphia office of Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., LPA. practicing in Consumer and Commercial Collections, with a focus on the Corporate & Financial Services, Credit Union, Healthcare, Collateral Recovery/Replevin, Student Loan, Subrogation, Litigation & Defense, Consumer Finance Litigation, and Federal Court Litigation Groups.

Mike earned his B.S. cum laude in Political Science from Blackburn College in 1990 and his J.D. from the Widener University School of Law in 1995. A member of the Pennsylvania Bar Association, Mike is licensed in the State Court of Pennsylvania and admitted to practice before the U.S. District Court (Eastern District of Pennsylvania) and the U.S. Court of Appeals (Third Circuit). He has successfully litigated products liability, commercial disputes and contractual breach of contract claims throughout the country. In addition to his litigation background, Mike focuses a great deal of his practice on compliance issues related to the lending, debt collection and repossession industries.

He is a frequent speaker on compliance issues related to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, ("CFPB") in these industries. Recent presentations made by Mike have included: "Preparing for the CFPB Audit", "Ensuring your Compliance Management System Addresses Risk Factors Related to UDAAP", "Creating an Effective Consumer Complaint Program", "The Consumer Financial Protection Bureau and Third Party Vendor Management: A Primer for the Industry", and "Establishing an Effective Compliance Management System".

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# **2016 AFA Annual Convention Speakers**



John Michel Owner, Web Weaver USA, Inc. 877-932-9338

John of Web Weaver USA has been involved in the repossession industry for over 60 years. He is directly responsible for providing professional repossession websites, search engine optimization and email services to his clients for over the past 20 years. John began working with Allied Finance Adjusters as the Web Master when there were only 12 members. Ever since there has been a commercial internet, the repossession industry has had a presence through Web Weaver USA, Inc. which is totally dedicated to our industry. Every major and regional repossession association website in the United States is either managed by John, or was at one time, along with hundreds of individual repossession companies nationwide.

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# **2016 AFA Annual Convention Agenda**

### Monday, May 16th

Travel Day 6:00pm – 9:00pm Welcome to Savannah! Registration Please note the agenda is tentative and subject to change as speakers and content are added.

### Tuesday, May 17th

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8:00am – 4:00pm	Registration Opens
8:30am – 12:30pm	AFA Preconvention Board Meeting (Continental Breakfast)
12:30pm – 2:00pm	Lunch on Your Own
2:00pm – 5:00pm	CFPB Training with Michael Dougherty
6:30pm – 9:30pm	Welcoming Reception

### Wednesday, May 18th

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8:00am – 4:00pm	Convention Office Open	
8:00am – 9:00am	Breakfast (Continental Breakfast)	
9:00am – 9:30am	Opening remarks	
9:30am – 12:30pm	CFPB Training Continued	
12:30pm – 1:00pm	Pre Lunch Break	
1:00pm – 2:00pm	Lunch (provided)	
2:00 pm – 2:45pm	Marketing your Website with John Michael of Web Weaver	
3:00pm – 3:45pm	My Recovery System with Jeff Koistinen	
3:45pm – 4:00pm	Break in the vendor hall	
4:00pm – 5:15pm	FDCPA (Part 1) with Machelle Morris	
6:00pm – 6:45pm	Check in to cruise	
7:00pm – 10:00pm	Dinner Riverboat Cruise and Cocktail Party	

### Thursday, May 19th

8:00am – 4:00pm	Convention Office Open
8:00am – 9:00am	Breakfast (Continental Breakfast)
9:00am – 9:30am	Call to Order
9:30am – 11:45am	FDCPA (Part 2) Continued
11:45am – 1:00pm	Lunch on Your Own
1:00pm – 5:30pm	Allied Members Only Meeting
6:30pm – 7:00 pm	Cocktails
7:00pm – 10:00pm	Awards Dinner and Auction/Raffle

### Friday, May 20th

9:00am – ?

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