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## **Buffalo, N.Y. Collection Agency Owner Elected Commercial Collection Industry Strategic Alliance Committee Chair**

Chicago 12/3/2014 — The International Association of Commercial Collectors (IACC) and the Commercial Law League of America (CLLA) today announced that they have elected Robert Ingold, owner of the Commercial Collection Corp of NY Inc., Buffalo, N.Y., to chair the two associations' Strategic Alliance Advisory Committee.

The advisory committee was formed as part of the CLLA/IACC strategic alliance, announced this past October, which includes production of a single, premiere certification program for commercial collection agencies that elevates professional standards while limiting duplicative efforts. CLLA and IACC will also collaborate on legislative initiatives that are of mutual importance to both organizations' members, as well as joint meetings/events.

The CLLA/IACC-produced certification program is based on the current CLLA certification program for commercial collection agencies. The program demonstrates that certified agencies adhere to relevant regulations in the collection of commercial debt; use generally accepted accounting practices — and adhere to standards to protect and safeguard their clients' funds. To learn more, go to <https://www.ccla.org/certification/>.

“I am delighted to serve as chairman of the Strategic Alliance Advisory Committee, which will help unite the collection industry to address common interests,” Ingold said. “This is the same CLLA certification program that has been in place for nearly 45 years and is widely accepted as the gold standard in the accounts receivable industry.”

Other members of the strategic alliance committee include Lee VandenHeuvel, IACC president and president of Ross, Stuart & Dawson Inc.; Barry Gammons, of the Law Offices of Barry J. Gammons, PLLC, who also currently serves as CLLA's president; Greg Cohen, president and CEO of Caine & Weiner; Robert Tharnish, senior VP, quality assurance & attorney network services at ABC-Amega, Inc.; Randy Frazee, owner, Andersen, Randall & Richards Inc.; Jim Bessenbacher, president, The Bessenbacher Co. and Paul Eisenberg, chief operating officer, Johnson, Morgan & White.



For information about the certification program and CLLA, please visit [CLLA.org](http://CLLA.org).

### **About the CLLA**

Since 1895, the not-for-profit Commercial Law League of America has connected experienced attorneys with credit grantors, lending institutions and other commercial credit, bankruptcy and general finance industry members through networking, education, legislative advocacy and specialized legal services. The association's members include attorneys, collection agencies, law lists, judges, accountants, trustees, turnaround managers and other credit and finance experts. For more information on the CLLA, please visit [www.CLLA.org](http://www.CLLA.org).

### **About IACC**

With about 350 commercial collection agency, associate, law list and affiliate members, The International Association of Commercial Collectors Inc. (IACC) is the world's largest international trade association for commercial debt collection professionals. Headquartered in Minneapolis, IACC serves members throughout the United States and in 35 other countries worldwide. Members of IACC recover millions of dollars annually for their clients and provide valuable assistance to credit departments in controlling mounting debts. To learn more, please visit [www.commercialcollector.com](http://www.commercialcollector.com).