

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**APPOINTMENT OF U.S. BANKRUPTCY JUDGE**  
**with duty station at Aberdeen, Mississippi**

The United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit seeks applications from highly qualified candidates for a fourteen-year appointment as United States Bankruptcy Judge for the District of South Dakota. The position will have its duty station in Aberdeen, Mississippi, for the first five years of the term and thereafter as determined by the Eighth and Fifth Circuits under the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the Bankruptcy Judge Vacancy Pilot Program. A copy of this MOU is available for review at the links listed below, along with the application form.

The basic jurisdiction of a United States Bankruptcy Judge is specified in Titles 11 and 28, United States Code, and amendments thereto. To be qualified for appointment, an applicant must:

- (1) Be a member in good standing of the bar of the highest court of at least one state, the District of Columbia, or the commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and a member in good standing of any other bar in which the applicant is a member.
- (2) Have been engaged in the active practice of law for a period of at least five years (some substitutes authorized);
- (3) Possess, and have a reputation for, integrity and good character; possess, and have demonstrated, a commitment to equal justice under the law; possess, and have demonstrated, outstanding legal ability and competence; be of sound mental and physical health sufficient to perform the essential duties of the office; and indicate by demeanor, character, and personality that the applicant would exhibit judicial temperament if appointed; and
- (4) Not be related by blood or marriage to a judge of the Eighth or Fifth Circuit Courts of Appeals, to a member of the Eighth or Fifth Circuits Judicial Councils, or to a judge of the district court to be served, within the degrees specified in 28 U.S.C. Section 458, at the time of the initial appointment.

An Intercircuit Selection Committee will review all applications and recommend to the United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit, in confidence, persons considered to be best qualified. Appointment follows an FBI and IRS investigation of the candidate chosen by the Court of Appeals. The current annual salary is \$191,360.00. Applicants shall be considered without regard to race, color, age, gender, religion, national origin or disability.

Application forms and the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) may be obtained on line from the: Clerk of the U.S. Bankruptcy Court in the Northern District of Mississippi at <http://www.msnb.uscourts.gov/>; Clerk of the U.S. District Court in the Northern District of Mississippi at <http://www.msnd.uscourts.gov/>; Clerk of the U.S. Bankruptcy Court in the District of South Dakota at <http://www.sdb.uscourts.gov/>; Clerk of the U.S. District Court in South Dakota at <http://www.sdd.uscourts.gov/>; the United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit at <http://www.ca8.uscourts.gov/>; and/or the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit at <http://www.ca5.uscourts.gov/>. Applications should be submitted only by the applicant personally and should indicate the applicant's willingness to serve if selected. The signed original hard copy of the application should be submitted to Ms. Millie B. Adams, Circuit Executive, 111 South 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 26.325, St. Louis, Missouri 63102-1116, and must be received by Wednesday, February 28, 2018, **not later than 4:00 pm (Central Time)**. An electronic version of the original should be sent to [CE8employment@ca8.uscourts.gov](mailto:CE8employment@ca8.uscourts.gov). The U.S. Courts are equal opportunity employers. We appreciate the interest of all candidates, however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.