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PRESS RELEASE

**PETER G. CARY IS SELECTED
FOR THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT IN
PORTLAND, MAINE**

BOSTON (September 6, 2013) — Chief Judge Sandra L. Lynch of the United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit announced today that Peter G. Cary has been selected to fill the upcoming vacancy in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Maine created by the announced retirement of Judge James B. Haines, Jr. Mr. Cary will be appointed to the bankruptcy bench in early 2014, upon FBI clearance. He will sit in Portland, Maine.

Mr. Cary received a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst and a J.D. from Boston College Law School. Mr. Cary is presently a partner of the firm of MittelAssen, LLC in Portland, Maine, where he has a broad bankruptcy practice, and engages in civil mediation and general business representation. He has a wealth of experience in bankruptcy law, representing both creditors and debtors in Chapter 7, 11 and 13 cases, engaging in corporate liquidation, not-for-profit representation and administrative claims. Mr. Cary currently serves on the Local Rules Committee of the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Maine and on the American

Bankruptcy Institute. He is also the Co-Chair of the ADR Section of the Maine State Bar Association. Mr. Cary has volunteered for several organizations demonstrating his commitment to justice, including the Campaign for Justice, the District of Maine C.A.R.E. (Credit Abuse Resistance Education) Program, the Maine Bar Fellows and the Volunteer Lawyers Project.

Chief Judge Lynch stated that "the court is very fortunate that such an esteemed bankruptcy practitioner will fill this important judgeship. Mr. Cary's expertise will be of great benefit to the District of Maine."

Chief Judge Lynch also expressed her sincere gratitude to the members of the Bankruptcy Merit Selection Panel, which was chaired by Circuit Judge William J. Kayatta, Jr. The members of the Panel were Circuit Judge Kermit V. Lipez; District Judge John A. Woodcock, Jr., District of Maine; George W. Kurr, Jr., Gross, Minsky & Mogul, P.A., Bangor, ME; James F. Molleur, Molleur Law Office, Biddeford, ME; and Gary Wente, Circuit Executive, Boston, MA.