FULL PUBLIC NOTICE FOR REAPPOINTMENT OF A BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

The current term of office of Brian K. Tester, United States Bankruptcy Judge for the District of Puerto Rico, is due to expire on November 12, 2020. The United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit is considering reappointment of Judge Tester to a new term of office and has determined that he appears to merit reappointment subject to public notice and opportunity for public comment. Upon reappointment, the incumbent would continue to exercise the jurisdiction of a bankruptcy judge as specified in title 28, United States Code; and the Bankruptcy Amendments and Federal Judgeship Act of 1984, Pub. L. No. 98-353, § 101-102, 98 Stat. 333-346. In bankruptcy cases and proceedings referred by the district court, the incumbent would continue to perform the duties of a bankruptcy judge that might include holding status conferences, conducting hearings and trials, making final determinations, entering orders and judgements and submitting proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law to the district court. Members of the bar and the public are invited to submit comments for consideration by the Court of Appeals regarding the reappointment of Bankruptcy Judge Tester to a new term of office. All comments will be kept confidential and should be directed to: Susan J. Goldberg, Circuit Executive, John Joseph Moakley United States Courthouse, 1 Courthouse Way, Suite 3700, Boston, Massachusetts 02210. The Circuit Executive will then submit the comments to the Court of Appeals for its decision. Comments must be received no later than Friday, March 6, 2020.