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**PUBLIC NOTICE FOR  
REAPPOINTMENT OF TWO BANKRUPTCY JUDGES**

The current 14-year term of office for two U.S. Bankruptcy Judges for the District of Delaware are due to expire. Chief Judge Christopher S. Sontchi's term is due to expire on February 22, 2020. Judge Brendan L. Shannon's term expires on March 12, 2020. The United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit is considering the reappointment of these Judges to a new 14-year term of office.

Upon reappointment, the incumbents would continue to exercise the jurisdiction of a bankruptcy judge as specified in Title 28, United States Code; Title 11, United States Code; and the Bankruptcy Amendments and Federal Judgeship Act of 1984, Pub. L. No. 98-353, §§ 101-122, 98 Stat. 333-346. In bankruptcy cases and proceedings referred by the district court, the incumbents 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 judgments, 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 reappointments of both Chief Judge Sontchi and Judge Shannon. All comments should be directed to one of the following addresses:

**By e-mail: [Sontchi\\_Reappointment@ca3.uscourts.gov](mailto:Sontchi_Reappointment@ca3.uscourts.gov)  
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**By mail: Margaret Wiegand, Circuit Executive  
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Comments must be received no later than **noon on August 8, 2019.**