Chief Judge Diane P. Wood of the United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit is pleased to announce the appointment of Judge Andrea K. McCord to a 14-year term as United States Bankruptcy Judge for the United States District Court for the Southern District of Indiana headquartered in New Albany. Judge McCord will take office on May 20, 2019. She will succeed Bankruptcy Judge Basil H. Lorch, III.

Judge McCord earned her bachelor’s degree from Franklin College where she was Student Body President and a Roger D. Branigan Scholar. She earned her law degree from Indiana University McKinney School of Law, was admitted to the Indiana bar in 1990 and was a law clerk for Judge Linda Chezem of the Indiana Court of Appeals. She was then in private practice in Franklin, Indiana and then served as a deputy prosecutor and a juvenile referee.

In 2007 Judge McCord was appointed and then elected and reelected to the Lawrence County Circuit Court in Indiana. Before being appointed to the court, she served as judge pro tem for Judge Richard D. McIntyre while he was on active duty for the Indiana National Guard.

Judge McCord is a 2013 Graduate of the Indiana Judicial College. She is a member of the American Bar Association, Chair of the Improvements to the Judiciary Committee for the Indiana State Bar Association, member of the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges, director of the Indiana Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges and a member of the Indiana Judges Association. Judge McCord was appointed by the governor to the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute Board of Trustees. She is active in the Lawrence County Bar Association and is currently helping plan a course on civility in the courtroom.

Judge McCord has taught at conferences and has served on numerous panels at various conferences and continuing legal education programs. She has taught criminal law and criminal procedure at the local community college and to MBA students on business ethics.

Judge McCord was a member of the founding board of The Lion’s Den, a non-profit teen coffeehouse, and a founder of Walk with Excellence. Judge McCord has published several legal articles and is the recipient of numerous awards and honors for her legal ability and her volunteer work.