



United States Court of Appeals
for the Seventh Circuit

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PRESS RELEASE

BANKRUPTCY JUDGE POSITION NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

Bankruptcy Judge A. Benjamin Goldgar of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Illinois will retire in August 2024. The Judicial Council of the Seventh Circuit seeks applications from all qualified applicants to succeed Judge Goldgar as bankruptcy judge for the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Illinois with a duty station in Chicago, Illinois. Applicants must be willing to travel to other locations in the Seventh Circuit to handle cases as need arises. The term of office is 14 years, and the current salary is \$223,836. Interested applicants may obtain an application and instructions by accessing the Court of Appeals website at www.ca7.uscourts.gov.

In making the appointment, applicants will be reviewed without discrimination as to race, color, sex, disability, religion, or national origin. Applicants should be admitted to practice in at least one state court and be members in good standing of every bar of which they are members. Applicants should possess and have a reputation for integrity and good character and be of sound physical and mental health. Applicants must possess and have demonstrated a commitment to equal justice under law. Applicants must also possess and have demonstrated outstanding legal ability and competence as evidenced by substantial legal experience, ability to deal with complex legal problems, aptitude for legal scholarship and writing, and familiarity with courts and court processes. Applicants must also possess demeanor, character, and personality to indicate that they would exhibit judicial temperament if appointed to the position of United States bankruptcy judge. The individual selected must comply with the statutory and Judicial Conference regulations regarding the filing of financial disclosure reports.

Pursuant to Section 120 of the Bankruptcy Amendments and Federal Judgeship Act of 1984, the Judicial Council of the Seventh Circuit will make recommendations to the United States Court of Appeals, which will make the appointment, subject to a Federal Bureau of Investigation full-field investigation and Internal Revenue Service tax check. Applications must be received by March 27, 2024.