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Bankruptcy Judge Vincent P. Zurzolo of Central District of California Reappointed

SAN FRANCISCO – The United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit has reappointed Bankruptcy Judge Vincent P. Zurzolo to the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Central District of California.

Judge Zurzolo, 60, came onto the bankruptcy bench in 1988 and was reappointed to a second 14-year term in 2002. He served as chief judge of his court from 2006 to 2011. His reappointment to a third term became effective on April 18, 2016.

Prior to his appointment to the bench, Judge Zurzolo engaged in private practice at Greenberg, Glusker, Fields, Claman and Machtinger LLP. Judge Zurzolo received his B.A. from the University of California, San Diego, in 1978 and his J.D. from UC Davis School of Law in 1982.

The U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Central District of California, which is authorized 24 bankruptcy judges, reported 48,487 new filings in fiscal year 2015.

Bankruptcy judges serve a 14-year renewable term and handle all bankruptcy-related matters under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code. Judges of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit have statutory responsibility for selecting and appointing bankruptcy judges in the nine western states that comprise the Ninth Circuit. The court uses a comprehensive merit selection process for the initial appointment. For reappointments, the court conducts a performance review and considers public comment evaluations.

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