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TO : Eleventh Circuit Judges
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Local Bar Organizations in Georgia
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FROM : James P. Gerstenlauer 

SUBJECT: **Reappointment of United States Bankruptcy Judge Roberta A. Colton to the Bankruptcy Judgeship Position in the Middle District of Florida at Tampa**

Attached is the public notice concerning the reappointment of Roberta A. Colton to the Bankruptcy Judgeship position in the Middle District of Florida at Tampa to be vacated upon the intended retirement of Judge K. Rodney May on 17 December 2017.

We are publicizing the notice of this reappointment throughout the federal judiciary, and to federal, state, and local bar organizations. We ask your assistance in circulating this announcement.

Thank you.

Attachment

PUBLIC NOTICE

Reappointment of Judge Roberta A. Colton United States Bankruptcy Judge, Middle District of Florida

The Honorable K. Rodney May, United States Bankruptcy Judge for the Middle District of Florida at Tampa, is retiring upon the expiration of his current 14-year term of office on 17 December 2017. Pursuant to an agreement between the Judicial Councils of the Eighth Circuit and the Eleventh Circuit, the United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit will give first consideration for this judgeship to Bankruptcy Judge Roberta A. Colton, who, pursuant to a pilot program approved by the Judicial Conference of the United States, was appointed by the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals as a bankruptcy judge with a duty station in the Middle District of Florida at Orlando. Judge Colton has served as a bankruptcy judge in Orlando since 1 April 2016. If appointed to the judgeship in Tampa, Judge Colton would continue to perform the statutory responsibilities of a bankruptcy judge.

Members of the bar and the public are invited to submit written comments for consideration by the Court of Appeals concerning the reappointment of Bankruptcy Judge Colton to a new fourteen year term of office in Tampa. If requested, the identity of a respondent to this solicitation will not be divulged without prior consent. However, Judge Colton will be provided with a general description of the source and nature of any comments. All comments should be submitted to Mr. James P. Gerstenlauer, Circuit Executive, Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals, 56 Forsyth Street, NW, Atlanta, Georgia 30303. Comments must be received in the Circuit Executive's Office no later than **4 August 2017**.