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U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Theodor C. Albert of Central District of California Reappointed

SAN FRANCISCO – Judges of the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit have approved the reappointment of Bankruptcy Judge Theodor C. Albert of the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Central District of California to a second 14-year term, effective June 1, 2019.

Judge Albert, who maintains chambers in Santa Ana, California, has served on the bankruptcy court for the Central District since 2005. In addition to bankruptcy matters, he has served on the Central District's Rules Committee and Executive Committee.

Prior to his appointment to the bench, Judge Albert had been a founding partner of Albert, Weiland & Golden, LLP in Costa Mesa, California, since 1995. Before this, he was a partner at the law firm of Buchalter, Nemer, Fields & Younger, LLP in Newport Beach, Calif. He has been an adjunct faculty at Chapman University's Fowler School of Law since 2006. Judge Albert received his B.A. from Stanford University in 1975 and his J.D. from the University of California, Los Angeles School of Law, in 1978.

The U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Central District of California, which is authorized 23 bankruptcy judges, reported 37,343 new filings in fiscal year 2018.

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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