

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT

DISTRICT OF KANSAS
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WICHITA, KANSAS 67202-2011

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March 1, 2004

Dear Federal Bar Member:

Pursuant to District of Kansas Local Bankruptcy Rule 9029.3, this Court has recently adopted a formal Bench Bar Committee, which supersedes this Court's long-standing Rules Committee. This Committee consists of the Chief Judge, other judges who may be appointed by the court, the U.S. Attorney, or an assistant designated by him or her (permanent member), the U.S. Trustee for Region 20, or an assistant designated by him or her (permanent member), a Chapter 13 Trustee, a Chapter 7 Trustee, and six (6) actively practicing members of the bar of the bankruptcy court.

The Bench-Bar Committee has general advisory and liaison roles with respect to the operation of the court and shall, among other things, provide a forum for the continuous study of the operating procedures of the court, serve as liaison among the court, its bar and the public, study, consider and recommend the adoption, amendment or rescission of the Rules of Practice of the court, and make such studies and render such reports and recommendations as the court shall direct.

Eight vacancies on the Bench-Bar Committee will open on **July 1, 2004**, of which six are for actively practicing members of the bankruptcy bar. In this first year of operation, the court will choose two members for a three year term, two members for a two year term and two for a one year term. Thereafter, each year two new members will be selected to fill the expiring terms of two members. The trustee members will each serve a two year term.

If you are interested in serving on the Bench-Bar Committee, please complete the enclosed application for membership and send the original, plus three copies, to:

Fred Jamison, Clerk
U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Kansas
167 U.S. Courthouse
401 North Market
Wichita, Kansas 67202

Applications are due by **May 1, 2004**.

Sincerely,

s/ Fred Jamison
Clerk of Court

Enclosure

**BANKRUPTCY BENCH-BAR COMMITTEE
APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP**

Please complete the following application. If additional space is needed, please use the reverse of this form.

1. Full Name: _____
2. Law school and date of graduation: _____
3. Date(s) of admission to practice: US District Court _____
Supreme Court of Kansas _____ Other(s) (specify) _____
4. Name of firm or other employer: _____
Address: _____

5. Phone: _____
6. E-Mail Address: _____
7. Nature/Area of Practice State _____ Federal _____ In-house counsel _____
Civil _____ Criminal _____ Bankruptcy _____
Plaintiff _____ Defendant _____
8. Area(s) of Specialization: _____

9. Explain why you are interested in serving on this committee: _____

10. Past service on any federal court committee(s): _____

11. Please answer the following questions regarding disciplinary matters:
I am in good standing in all bars of which I am a member. Yes ___ No ___ Please explain on reverse
No disciplinary or grievance proceedings have been previously filed against me nor are any pending against me in any jurisdiction. True ___ False ___ Please explain on reverse
I have not been charged in any court of the United States or any state, territory or possession of the United States with the commission of a felony or unprofessional conduct. True ___ False ___ Please explain on reverse.

Signature

Date