

Invitation for Public Comment
on the Reappointment of U.S. Bankruptcy Judge William J. Lafferty III

The current term of the Honorable William J. Lafferty III, U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the Northern District of California, is due to expire in April 2025. The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit is considering the reappointment of Judge Lafferty to a new 14 year term of office. The Court invites comments from the bar and public about Judge Lafferty's performance as a bankruptcy judge. The duties of a bankruptcy judge are specified by statute, and include conducting hearings and trials, making final determinations, and entering orders and judgments.

Members of the bar and public are invited to submit comments concerning Judge Lafferty for consideration by the Court of Appeals in determining whether or not to reappoint him. Anonymous responses will not be accepted. However, respondents who do not wish to have their identities disclosed should so indicate in the response, and such requests will be honored.

Comments should be submitted no later than **Thursday, February 1, 2024**, to the following address:



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