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#### **ILENE J. LASHINSKY APPOINTED** **U.S. TRUSTEE FOR ARIZONA**

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Ilene J. Lashinsky has been appointed United States Trustee for Arizona (Region 14), it was announced today by Lawrence Friedman, Director of the Executive Office for United States Trustees. Lashinsky's appointment takes effect November 18, 2002.

"It gives me great pleasure to welcome Ilene Lashinsky to the U.S. Trustee Program," Friedman stated. "She is an outstanding commercial and bankruptcy lawyer who is well respected not only among the lawyers in her state, but also among experts in the field of international insolvency."

"Serving as United States Trustee is a great honor," Lashinsky stated. "Under Director Friedman's leadership, I look forward to working with the experienced staff in the Phoenix office to carry out the Attorney General's mandate of combating fraud and abuse in the bankruptcy system."

Immediately before her appointment, Lashinsky was of counsel to the Scottsdale, Ariz., firm of Hymson & Goldstein P.C., where her practice focused on the representation of creditors and debtors in complex commercial bankruptcy matters and commercial litigation. For the previous 17 years, she was a partner at Davis & Lowe P.C. in Phoenix. During a 13-month leave from Davis & Lowe in 1998 and 1999, she served as resident bankruptcy advisor to the CFED-USAID Macedonia Commercial Law Project, assisting in workouts of major financially distressed Macedonian businesses and advising ministry representatives regarding the government's role in the transition to a free market economy.

Before joining Davis & Lowe P.C., Lashinsky practiced commercial and bankruptcy law with Leslie L. Miller P.C. and with Streich, Lang, Weeks, Cardon & French. She also served as Director of Continuing Legal Education for the State Bar of Arizona, where she helped design and develop legal education curricula and materials.

Among other professional and community activities, Lashinsky is a member and past chair of the State Bar of Arizona's Bankruptcy Section and a member of the State Bar of Arizona's Board of Legal Specialization. She has been an adjunct faculty member for Arizona

State University's Russian and East European Studies Consortium, and is a regular participant in international legal conferences and symposia relating to legal development in Eastern European countries.

Lashinsky received her law degree cum laude in 1972 from Arizona State University College of Law in Tempe, Ariz., and her undergraduate degree in 1969 from Arizona State University.

The United States Trustee Program is a component of the Justice Department that protects the integrity of the bankruptcy system by overseeing case administration and litigating to enforce the bankruptcy laws.

The Program has 21 regions and 95 field offices. Region 14 is headquartered in Phoenix.

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