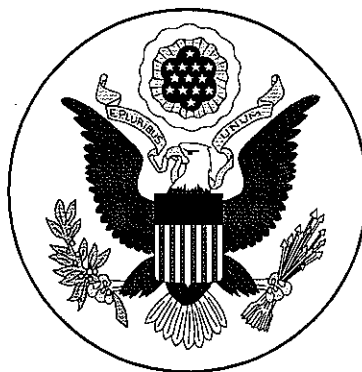


JUDICIAL CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED STATES

TESTIMONY OF

**JUDGE BARBARA M. G. LYNN, CHAIR
COMMITTEE ON THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE
BANKRUPTCY SYSTEM**



BEFORE

**THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON COMMERCIAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE LAW
COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY
UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

ON

**THE 2009 BANKRUPTCY JUDGESHIP RECOMMENDATIONS
OF THE JUDICIAL CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED STATES**

JUNE 16, 2009

Chairman Cohen and members of the Subcommittee,

My name is Barbara Lynn. I am a District Court Judge in the Northern District of Texas. I am also Chair of the Judicial Conference's Committee on the Administration of the Bankruptcy System ("Bankruptcy Committee") and in that capacity I appear before you today.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of the Judicial Conference's 2009 bankruptcy judgeship recommendation, which was transmitted to Congress on February 9, 2009.

Sufficient judicial resources are essential to ensure that the bankruptcy courts can effectively and efficiently adjudicate the rights and responsibilities of parties who come before them in bankruptcy cases and proceedings. In performance of its statutory duty to advise Congress on the need for bankruptcy judgeships, the Judicial Conference makes biennial recommendations for the authorization of additional bankruptcy judgeships, the continuing need for existing bankruptcy judgeships, and other judgeship actions.

The Judicial Conference recommends that Congress authorize 13 new permanent bankruptcy judgeships in 10 judicial districts, convert 22 existing temporary bankruptcy judgeships to permanent status in 15 judicial districts, and extend two existing temporary bankruptcy judgeships for five years. For your convenience, I have provided as Attachment 1 a chart listing, by district, the additional judgeships and other judgeship actions recommended by the Judicial Conference.

The need for these judgeships is critical, with filings increasing to near-record levels and the bankruptcy courts in peril of losing many of their judicial resources. It is time to pass judgeship legislation to alleviate the overcrowded dockets and assure that the bankruptcy system operates efficiently, especially in our current economic circumstances. Today, I ask for your assistance in securing sufficient resources for the bankruptcy system.

THE NEED FOR ADDITIONAL JUDGESHIPS

The judgeships recommended by the Judicial Conference are essential. New bankruptcy judgeships were last authorized in 2005 as part of the Bankruptcy Abuse Prevention and Consumer Protection Act of 2005 (“BAPCPA”), and even then, fewer judgeships were authorized than were needed. Before that, new bankruptcy judgeships had not been authorized by Congress since 1992. All of the judgeships authorized or extended by BAPCPA are temporary judgeships¹ that are now approaching their lapse dates, after which vacancies in those districts cannot be filled. At the same time, workload has substantially increased since the first full year after BAPCPA took effect, with filings nearing pre-BAPCPA levels. Without Congressional action on the judicial resources recommended by the Conference, the bankruptcy courts could face record filings at the same time as a reduction in judicial resources to handle them.

Since enactment of BAPCPA, the bankruptcy workload has increased substantially. Both business and non-business case filings are increasing dramatically in the current economy. Pro-se filings, which require additional judicial time to equitably adjudicate, are among the increased filings. Moreover, BAPCPA increased the work required of bankruptcy judges in each case.

Case filings have increased steadily since BAPCPA took effect. During 2006 (the first full year following the general implementation of BAPCPA) there were about 618,000 bankruptcies filed. Since 2006, filings have increased consistently, with a 38% increase from 2006 to 2007 and a 31% increase from 2007 to 2008. In the 12-month period ending March 31, 2009, there were approximately 1.2 million bankruptcy petitions filed -- nearly double the number of petitions filed

¹ All bankruptcy judges are appointed for terms of 14 years. Usually, a temporary judgeship is set to lapse five years or more after a judge is appointed. During these five years, any vacancy in the district can be filled. After the five year period expires (“the lapse date”), the first vacancy that occurs in the district cannot be filled. Congress can extend the lapse date. Congress can also convert temporary judgeships to permanent status.

in 2006. Moreover, seasonally adjusted monthly filings² for March 2009 at annual rates stood at just over 1.4 million, nearing the level of filings seen in late 2004, the last year prior to BAPCPA's enactment.

Weighted filings per authorized judgeship have also seen significant increases. From 2006 to 2007, the national average weighted filings per authorized judgeship increased 16% and from 2007 to 2008 the average increased a further 27%. As of the end of March 2009, the national average weighted filings per authorized judgeship stood nearly 60% higher than the first year following BAPCPA.

Even apart from the changes brought about by BAPCPA, the workload associated with these filing levels is underestimated in the current calculations due to other changes that have occurred in the bankruptcy system since the time the case weight formula was developed in 1991. For example, complex chapter 11 cases, and mega-cases barely existed when the current case weights were developed. The amount of time required to adjudicate complicated cases is thus largely missing from the current case weights.

In addition to near record case filings, bankruptcy courts now face bankruptcy cases that are more complex and time consuming than anything previously handled. Cases such as Chrysler, Circuit City, and other national and international corporate reorganizations consume a tremendous amount of a bankruptcy court's time. Substantial increases in consumer case filings are also problematic for the courts that have inadequate judicial resources.

For many years, the judiciary has sought to secure additional bankruptcy judgeships. In 1999, the Judicial Conference recommended to Congress the authorization of 24 additional judgeships and conversion of two temporary judgeships to permanent. In anticipation of

² Because filings have been increasing at a steady pace month to month, 12 month totals understate the current bankruptcy filing rate. Seasonally adjusted figures account for this undercounting.

enactment of then pending bankruptcy legislation that included additional bankruptcy judgeships, the Judicial Conference did not submit a new recommendation to Congress in 2001. When that legislation was not enacted, a new Conference recommendation for 36 additional judgeships and action on existing temporary judgeships was transmitted in 2003, superseding the 1999 recommendation. By early 2005, the circuits requested and the Judicial Conference recommended 47 additional judgeships and action on the existing temporaries. In April 2005, however, BAPCPA was enacted, authorizing only 28 temporary bankruptcy judgeships based upon the outdated 1999 Conference recommendation. Five of the judgeships authorized by BAPCPA had not been recommended by the Conference.

Immediately following enactment of BAPCPA, the Judiciary transmitted draft legislation for 24 additional judgeships to complete the authorization of all judgeships recommended in 2005. In the wake of BAPCPA, the Judicial Conference took a very conservative position in making its 2007 recommendation. The new law required interpretation, process changes, and additional per-case work. Additionally, the courts were processing all of the cases filed in the run-up to the effective date of BAPCPA. However, the actual work being performed by the court was not reflected in the 2007 caseload numbers, which were skewed by the combination of reduced filings immediately following BAPCPA's enactment and a case weighting formula that pre-dated BAPCPA. Nonetheless, the Judicial Conference conservatively abided by the procedures and standards it developed in 1991, and consequently recommended only four additional judgeships plus the conversion of several existing temporary judgeships.

The Judicial Conference understands the current budget climate, and its recommendation for authorization of additional bankruptcy judgeships is not undertaken lightly. The number of judgeships recommended by the Conference has increased with each new request because of the

backlog of needed judgeships that were not authorized, coupled with escalating case filings. The districts that require additional resources have shown a sustained need for the additional judgeships, under great stress and overburdened by burgeoning caseloads.

For example, for the Eastern District of Michigan, additional judicial resources have been recommended since 1993. One additional judgeship was recommended in 1993, 1995, 1997, and 1999. Two additional judgeships were recommended in 2003. By 2005, four additional judgeships were recommended. After BAPCPA authorized only one temporary judgeship in 2005, the Conference recommended three judgeships in 2007 and recommends those same three judgeships now based upon that district's overwhelming workload.

For the Northern District of Mississippi, additional judicial resources have been recommended since 2003. One additional judgeship was recommended in 2003, 2005, 2007, and now again in 2009. This is a single-judge court, and its weighted case filings are nearly double the Judicial Conference's designated weighted case filings per judgeship for bankruptcy courts. Additionally, the judge must travel between the court's official duty station in Aberdeen, as well as outlying additional places of holding court in Greenville and Oxford, Mississippi.

The recommended conversions are also necessary to maintain efficient court operations. For the Western District of Tennessee, one additional permanent judgeship was recommended in 1997 and 1999. The recommendation increased to two additional permanent judgeships in 2003 and 2005. In 2005, BAPCPA authorized only one additional temporary judgeship for the district. The temporary judgeship will expire upon the next vacancy occurring on or after July 1, 2011. At that point, the Western District of Tennessee will revert to the number of bankruptcy judgeships it was authorized in 1992, despite an ever-increasing workload.

Similarly, for the Eastern District of Virginia, one additional permanent judgeship was recommended in 1997, 1999, 2003, and 2005. In 2005, BAPCPA authorized only a temporary bankruptcy judgeship for that district. That judgeship is now set to lapse on or after September 11, 2011. This means that a district that asked for additional resources for over twelve years is now at risk of reverting to its resource levels dating back to 1992.

The Judicial Conference takes seriously its role as a steward of taxpayer dollars. Therefore, bankruptcy judgeship vacancies are filled only when there is a workload need. In addition, before recommending judgeship actions, the Conference examines whether courts are using alternative means of maximizing their existing judicial resources. An overburdened court may use several strategies to temporarily alleviate the caseload burden,³ such as streamlined case management procedures, assistance from other bankruptcy courts, recalled judges, expansion of automation programs, or addition of more support personnel. Rising case filings and increasing weighted caseloads per judgeship, however, quickly outpace the benefits of these programs. A circuit's request for additional judicial resources is made only after a sustained pattern demonstrates that the judicial caseload of the district can no longer be administered by other methods. Thus, each district for which a judgeship action is requested has already experienced a sustained elevated caseload that exceeds the capabilities of the number of judges in that district.

Bankruptcy judgeship legislation is the necessary solution. Such legislation is needed to alleviate the overcrowded dockets and ensure that the bankruptcy system operates efficiently in the current economy. Bankruptcy courts cannot be expected to function perpetually with overwhelming caseloads.

³ These strategies are detailed further in Attachment 3.

BASIS FOR JUDGESHIP RECOMMENDATIONS

The Judicial Conference makes its judgeship recommendation pursuant to the statutory requirement⁴ to submit recommendations to Congress for new bankruptcy judgeships. To assist the Conference in performing this responsibility, the Bankruptcy Committee biennially conducts a national survey, which follows the requirements of the Judicial Conference's 1991 policy for bankruptcy judgeship recommendations.⁵

The 1991 policy sets out a number of workload factors that should be considered in assessing a circuit's request for additional bankruptcy judgeships. The first element is the weighted caseload of the district for which resources are requested. It is generally expected that, in addition to other judicial duties, a bankruptcy court should have a workload of 1,500 or more annual case weighted filings per judgeship to justify an additional judgeship. Recognizing that factors in addition to workload can necessitate additional judgeships, the Conference policy also provides for consideration of: the nature and mix of the court's caseload; historical caseload data and filing trends; geographic, economic, and demographic factors in the district; the effectiveness of case management efforts by the court; and the availability of alternative solutions and resources for handling the court's workload.

Requests to convert existing temporary judgeships to permanent status are evaluated from the same perspective as the assessment of requests for additional judgeships, using the same weighted caseload standard of 1,500 weighted filings per judgeship and the same additional factors. If a district with a temporary judgeship were to lose that judgeship, and the resulting per-judgeship weighted case filings in that district would meet or exceed 1,500 (and therefore qualify

⁴ 28 U.S.C. § 152 (b) (2).

⁵ The survey process is described at Appendix 4. The Judicial Conference Policy and the Workload Factors are detailed in Attachment 5.

the district for consideration for an additional judgeship during the next survey cycle), it is considered to be evidence of the need to convert the temporary judgeship to permanent status.

This is an analysis based upon both logic and conservation of public resources. It would cost the Federal Government considerable time and expense to permit an existing temporary judgeship to lapse, conduct a survey of the then over-burdened district, process a recommendation through the Bankruptcy Committee and the Judicial Conference, and enact authorizing legislation for a new judgeship in that district. Most of this expensive process can be eliminated, and time saved for both the judiciary and the Congress, by acknowledging the need in that district for a permanent judgeship.

A slightly different caseload standard is followed to evaluate a circuit's request to extend an existing temporary judgeship. For extensions, the weighted caseload standard is 1,000 weighted filings per judgeship. This standard stems from the analysis conducted pursuant to the Judicial Conference's separate statutory duty to report whether there is a continuing need for each bankruptcy judgeship throughout the country.⁶ The continuing needs assessment guides the circuits' decisions whether to fill bankruptcy judgeship vacancies in their bankruptcy courts. In the continuing needs assessment, if a district's weighted filings per judgeship were to remain above 1,000 with one less judgeship in that district, a recommendation would be made that all of the judgeships in that district continue to be needed to manage the workload of the court. Since extensions of temporary judgeships are more analogous to continuing needs than to additional needs, the continuing needs standard is used. If a district with a temporary judgeship were to remain above 1,000 after the loss of the judgeship, then the Conference deems all of the judgeships in the district to be necessary, including the temporary. To avoid losing the necessary temporary

⁶ 28 U.S.C. § 152 (b) (3).

judgeship, the Conference recommends extending the period of time during which the district is protected from losing a judgeship. The additional factors considered for extension requests are the same as for additional judgeship requests.

As Chair of the Bankruptcy Committee, I initiated the most recent judgeship survey in October 2008, asking all chief circuit judges to assess the bankruptcy judgeship needs within their circuits. The Bankruptcy Committee received circuit requests for 14 additional bankruptcy judgeships in 12 judicial districts. Additionally, the Bankruptcy Committee received requests to convert 22 temporary judgeships in 16 judicial districts to permanent status. By February 2009, the Committee had sufficient data to make recommendations on most of these requests, and the Judicial Conference adopted a recommendation, based on the courts' workloads, to authorize nine additional permanent judgeships in six judicial districts, convert 22 existing temporary judgeships to permanent status in 15 judicial districts, and extend one existing temporary judgeship for five years. That recommendation was transmitted to Congress with draft legislation on February 9, 2009. By June 2009, the Committee was able to gather sufficient data to act on the remaining requests, and the Judicial Conference adopted a recommendation, based on the courts' workloads, to authorize four more new permanent judgeships and recommend extension of one more existing temporary judgeship. This brings the total 2009 recommendation to 13 new additional permanent judgeships in 10 judicial districts, conversion of 22 existing temporary judgeships to permanent status in 15 judicial districts, and extension of two existing temporary judgeship for five years each.

The Judicial Conference's 2009 bankruptcy judgeship recommendation supersedes its 2007 recommendation.

CONCLUSION

We share a common interest in ensuring that the bankruptcy court system has adequate judicial resources to manage its caseloads in a just, economical, and timely manner. A near record level of cases is pending in our bankruptcy courts, and the case filings continue to increase. Many of the districts for which additional bankruptcy judgeships are sought have had overwhelming filings for years, pre-dating the BAPCPA authorization of additional resources. Although the judiciary has developed creative and innovative techniques to fully utilize its existing judgeships, the bankruptcy courts can no longer operate as effectively in some districts because of the heavy workload. Our judicial resources are strained, and the cost to society of an overburdened bankruptcy system, especially in this economic climate, is enormous.

I therefore urge you to provide for 13 additional permanent bankruptcy judgeships, conversion of 22 existing temporary judgeships, and extension of two existing temporary judgeships as recommended by the Judicial Conference. Thank you, once again, for your consideration of our recommendations and your support for the bankruptcy system. I look forward to our continuing joint efforts to improve the administration of bankruptcy system and believe that the enactment of the Judicial Conference's 2009 bankruptcy judgeship recommendations will be our most important first step.

I would be pleased to answer any questions.

**2009 BANKRUPTCY JUDGESHIP RECOMMENDATIONS
OF THE JUDICIAL CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED STATES**

| BANKRUPTCY DISTRICT | TOTAL CURRENT BANKRUPTCY JUDGESHIPS | LAPSE DATES OF TEMPORARY JUDGESHIP(S) | 2009 JUDICIAL CONFERENCE RECOMMENDATION |
|---|-------------------------------------|--|---|
| TOTAL: 13 additional P 22 conversions from T to P 2 extensions | | | |
| FIRST CIRCUIT | | | |
| New Hampshire | 1P, 1T* | 11/12/1998 | convert 1T to P |
| SECOND CIRCUIT | | | |
| New York - Northern District | 2P, 1T | 2/16/2012 | convert 1T to P |
| New York - Southern District | 9P, 1T | 11/30/2011 | convert 1T to P |
| THIRD CIRCUIT | | | |
| Delaware | 1P, 5T | 1) 4/20/2010 2) 12/9/2010 3) 2/23/2011 4) 3/13/2011 5) 3/13/2011 | convert 5T to P |
| New Jersey | 8P, 1T | 10/3/2011 | convert 1T to P |
| Pennsylvania - Eastern District | 5P, 1T | 6/28/2011 | extend 1T by five years |
| Pennsylvania - Middle District | 2P, 1T | 9/28/2011 | convert 1T to P |
| FOURTH CIRCUIT | | | |
| Maryland | 4P, 3T | 1) 4/3/2011 2) 4/3/2011 3) 6/19/2011 | convert 3T to P |
| North Carolina - Eastern District | 2P, 1T | 7/28/2011 | convert 1T to P |
| North Carolina - Middle District | 2P, 1T | 11/23/1998 | extend 1T by five years |
| North Carolina - Western District | 2P | | add 1P |
| Virginia - Eastern District | 5P, 1T | 9/11/2011 | convert 1T to P |
| West Virginia - Southern District | 1P | | add 1P |
| FIFTH CIRCUIT | | | |
| Mississippi - Northern District | 1P | | add 1P |
| SIXTH CIRCUIT | | | |
| Michigan - Eastern District | 4P, 1T | 7/13/2011 | add 3P |
| Tennessee - Eastern District | 3P, 1T | 4/20/2010 | convert 1T to P |
| Tennessee - Western District | 4P, 1T | 7/1/2011 | convert 1T to P |
| EIGHTH CIRCUIT | | | |
| Arkansas - Eastern & Western Districts | 3P | | add 1P |
| NINTH CIRCUIT | | | |
| California - Eastern District | 6P, 1T | runs from date of appointment when filled | add 1P and convert 1T to P |
| Nevada | 3P, 1T | 9/1/2011 | add 1P & convert 1T to P |
| ELEVENTH CIRCUIT | | | |
| Florida - Middle District | 8P | | add 1P |
| Florida - Northern District | 1P | | add 1P |
| Florida - Southern District | 5P, 2T | 1) 2/10/2011 2) 2/13/2011 | convert 2T to P |
| Georgia - Northern District | 8P | | add 2P |
| Georgia - Southern District | 2P, 1T | 3/22/2011 | convert 1T to P |

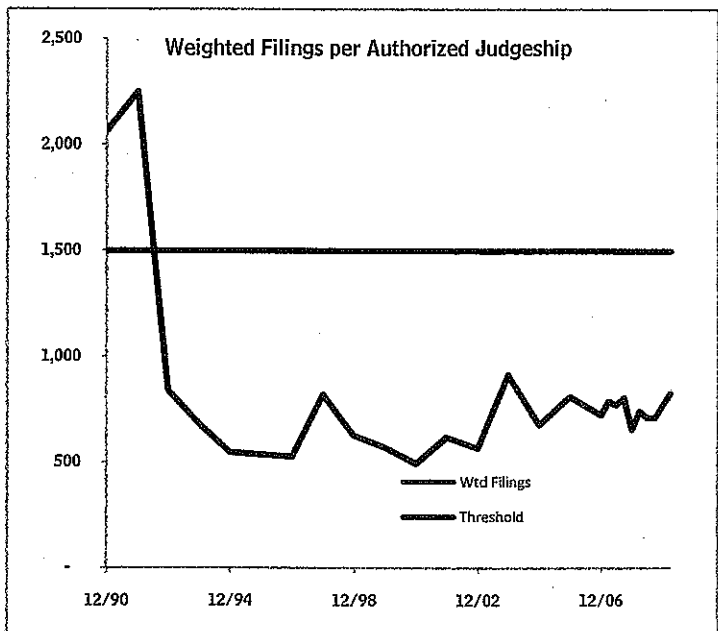
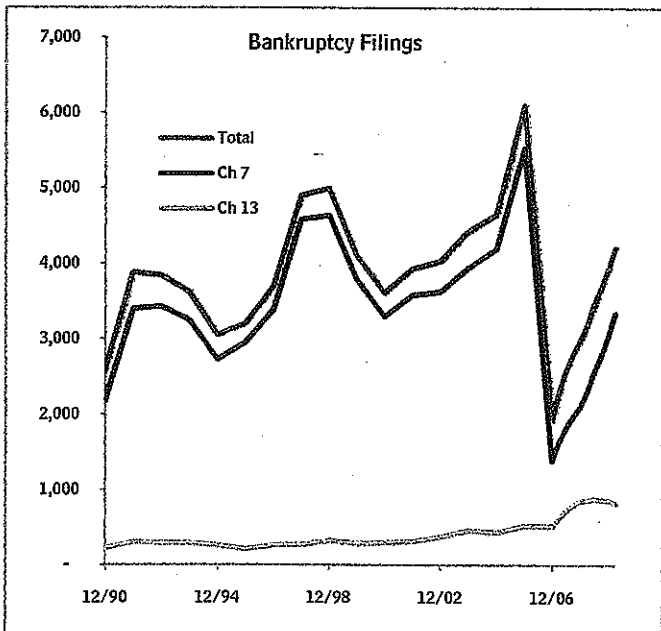
* P=permanent judgeship, T=temporary judgeship

District of New Hampshire

| Authorized Judgeships | |
|-----------------------|---|
| Permanent: | 1 |
| Temporary: | 1 |
| Total Authorized: | 2 |

| Judgeship Recommendation(s) | |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Additional Judgeships: | - |
| Conversions: | 1 |
| Extensions: | - |

| 12 Months Ended | Total | Business | Non-business | Ch 7 | Ch 11 | Ch 13 | Weighted Filings | Authorized Judgeships | Weighted Filings per Judgeship |
|-----------------|-------|----------|--------------|-------|-------|-------|------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| 12/31/1990 | 2,568 | 490 | 2,078 | 2,175 | 165 | 227 | 2,062 | 1 | 2,062 |
| 12/31/1991 | 3,879 | 598 | 3,281 | 3,398 | 175 | 306 | 2,249 | 1 | 2,249 |
| 12/31/1992 | 3,840 | 164 | 3,676 | 3,430 | 114 | 294 | 1,679 | 2 | 839 |
| 12/31/1993 | 3,622 | 153 | 3,469 | 3,250 | 76 | 293 | 1,363 | 2 | 681 |
| 12/31/1994 | 3,054 | 111 | 2,943 | 2,725 | 65 | 263 | 1,096 | 2 | 548 |
| 12/31/1995 | 3,207 | 92 | 3,115 | 2,957 | 35 | 214 | 1,076 | 2 | 538 |
| 12/31/1996 | 3,692 | 92 | 3,600 | 3,387 | 42 | 262 | 1,053 | 2 | 527 |
| 12/31/1997 | 4,902 | 187 | 4,715 | 4,586 | 41 | 272 | 1,643 | 2 | 822 |
| 12/31/1998 | 4,994 | 417 | 4,577 | 4,639 | 29 | 326 | 1,256 | 2 | 628 |
| 12/31/1999 | 4,104 | 348 | 3,756 | 3,791 | 23 | 287 | 1,141 | 2 | 570 |
| 12/31/2000 | 3,615 | 302 | 3,313 | 3,295 | 17 | 303 | 989 | 2 | 495 |
| 12/31/2001 | 3,931 | 334 | 3,597 | 3,582 | 32 | 317 | 1,239 | 2 | 619 |
| 12/31/2002 | 4,034 | 212 | 3,822 | 3,627 | 26 | 381 | 1,136 | 2 | 568 |
| 12/31/2003 | 4,426 | 178 | 4,248 | 3,945 | 15 | 466 | 1,832 | 2 | 916 |
| 12/31/2004 | 4,651 | 158 | 4,493 | 4,195 | 17 | 439 | 1,360 | 2 | 680 |
| 12/31/2005 | 6,097 | 586 | 5,511 | 5,533 | 32 | 531 | 1,625 | 2 | 812 |
| 12/31/2006 | 1,925 | 218 | 1,707 | 1,390 | 12 | 521 | 1,451 | 2 | 726 |
| 3/31/2007 | 2,299 | 269 | 2,030 | 1,637 | 16 | 642 | 1,581 | 2 | 791 |
| 6/30/2007 | 2,579 | 306 | 2,273 | 1,825 | 18 | 732 | 1,543 | 2 | 771 |
| 9/30/2007 | 2,804 | 331 | 2,473 | 1,977 | 21 | 803 | 1,612 | 2 | 806 |
| 12/31/2007 | 2,983 | 327 | 2,656 | 2,100 | 20 | 860 | 1,312 | 2 | 656 |
| 3/31/2008 | 3,183 | 307 | 2,876 | 2,297 | 18 | 867 | 1,487 | 2 | 743 |
| 6/30/2008 | 3,458 | 318 | 3,140 | 2,555 | 19 | 883 | 1,426 | 2 | 713 |
| 9/30/2008 | 3,676 | 351 | 3,325 | 2,775 | 27 | 873 | 1,427 | 2 | 713 |
| 12/31/2008 | 3,931 | 393 | 3,538 | 3,030 | 38 | 863 | 1,540 | 2 | 770 |
| 3/31/2009 | 4,207 | 461 | 3,746 | 3,344 | 40 | 823 | 1,651 | 2 | 825 |

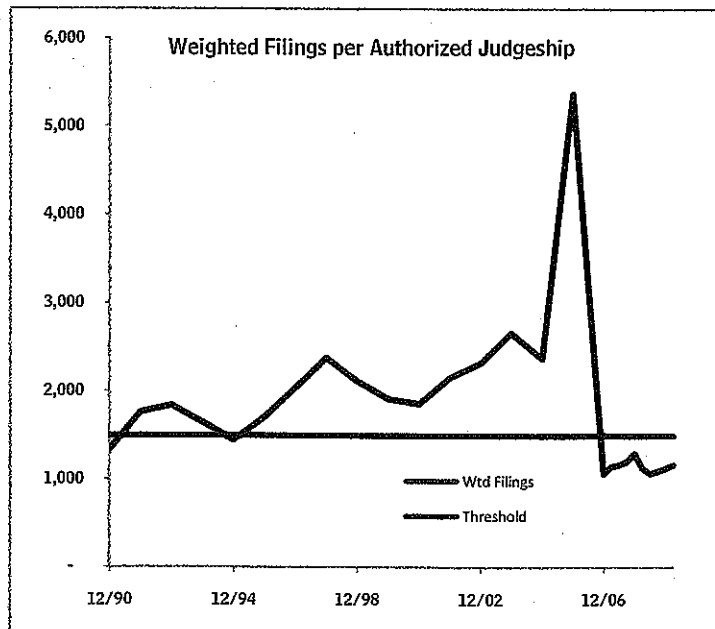
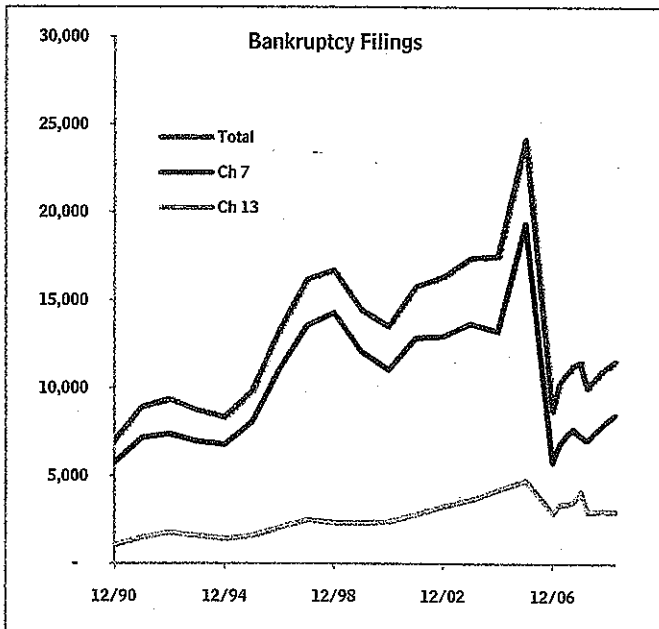


Northern District of New York

| Authorized Judgeships | |
|-----------------------|---|
| Permanent: | 2 |
| Temporary: | 1 |
| Total Authorized: | 3 |

| Judgeship Recommendation(s) | |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Additional Judgeships: | - |
| Conversions: | 1 |
| Extensions: | - |

| 12 Months Ended | Total | Business | Non-business | Ch 7 | Ch 11 | Ch 13 | Weighted Filings | Authorized Judgeships | Weighted Filings per Judgeship |
|-----------------|--------|----------|--------------|--------|-------|-------|------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| 12/31/1990 | 6,992 | 622 | 6,370 | 5,783 | 127 | 1,071 | 2,658 | 2 | 1,329 |
| 12/31/1991 | 8,889 | 792 | 8,097 | 7,170 | 192 | 1,504 | 3,527 | 2 | 1,764 |
| 12/31/1992 | 9,350 | 925 | 8,425 | 7,386 | 188 | 1,767 | 3,680 | 2 | 1,840 |
| 12/31/1993 | 8,729 | 823 | 7,906 | 6,968 | 136 | 1,595 | 3,294 | 2 | 1,647 |
| 12/31/1994 | 8,336 | 711 | 7,625 | 6,787 | 100 | 1,427 | 2,890 | 2 | 1,445 |
| 12/31/1995 | 9,779 | 696 | 9,083 | 8,059 | 105 | 1,593 | 3,416 | 2 | 1,708 |
| 12/31/1996 | 13,289 | 839 | 12,450 | 11,099 | 100 | 2,057 | 4,080 | 2 | 2,040 |
| 12/31/1997 | 16,173 | 777 | 15,396 | 13,559 | 88 | 2,502 | 4,758 | 2 | 2,379 |
| 12/31/1998 | 16,703 | 505 | 16,198 | 14,287 | 53 | 2,346 | 4,235 | 2 | 2,117 |
| 12/31/1999 | 14,466 | 394 | 14,072 | 12,084 | 47 | 2,320 | 3,834 | 2 | 1,917 |
| 12/31/2000 | 13,507 | 407 | 13,100 | 11,043 | 56 | 2,395 | 3,717 | 2 | 1,858 |
| 12/31/2001 | 15,760 | 425 | 15,335 | 12,865 | 72 | 2,815 | 4,305 | 2 | 2,153 |
| 12/31/2002 | 16,310 | 346 | 15,964 | 12,952 | 75 | 3,272 | 4,642 | 2 | 2,321 |
| 12/31/2003 | 17,403 | 333 | 17,070 | 13,676 | 68 | 3,642 | 5,326 | 2 | 2,663 |
| 12/31/2004 | 17,505 | 285 | 17,220 | 13,242 | 45 | 4,216 | 4,737 | 2 | 2,368 |
| 12/31/2005 | 24,155 | 321 | 23,834 | 19,354 | 45 | 4,748 | 16,113 | 3 | 5,371 |
| 12/31/2006 | 8,711 | 214 | 8,497 | 5,781 | 35 | 2,885 | 3,198 | 3 | 1,066 |
| 3/31/2007 | 10,265 | 251 | 10,014 | 6,815 | 39 | 3,399 | 3,451 | 3 | 1,150 |
| 6/30/2007 | 10,808 | 270 | 10,538 | 7,333 | 42 | 3,421 | 3,503 | 3 | 1,168 |
| 9/30/2007 | 11,262 | 270 | 10,992 | 7,658 | 38 | 3,551 | 3,620 | 3 | 1,207 |
| 12/31/2007 | 11,490 | 297 | 11,193 | 7,290 | 42 | 4,134 | 3,887 | 3 | 1,296 |
| 3/31/2008 | 10,043 | 235 | 9,808 | 7,041 | 32 | 2,962 | 3,413 | 3 | 1,138 |
| 6/30/2008 | 10,450 | 230 | 10,220 | 7,429 | 31 | 2,980 | 3,213 | 3 | 1,071 |
| 9/30/2008 | 10,911 | 248 | 10,663 | 7,839 | 40 | 3,023 | 3,287 | 3 | 1,096 |
| 12/31/2008 | 11,235 | 263 | 10,972 | 8,187 | 43 | 2,995 | 3,378 | 3 | 1,126 |
| 3/31/2009 | 11,526 | 288 | 11,238 | 8,481 | 50 | 2,977 | 3,501 | 3 | 1,167 |

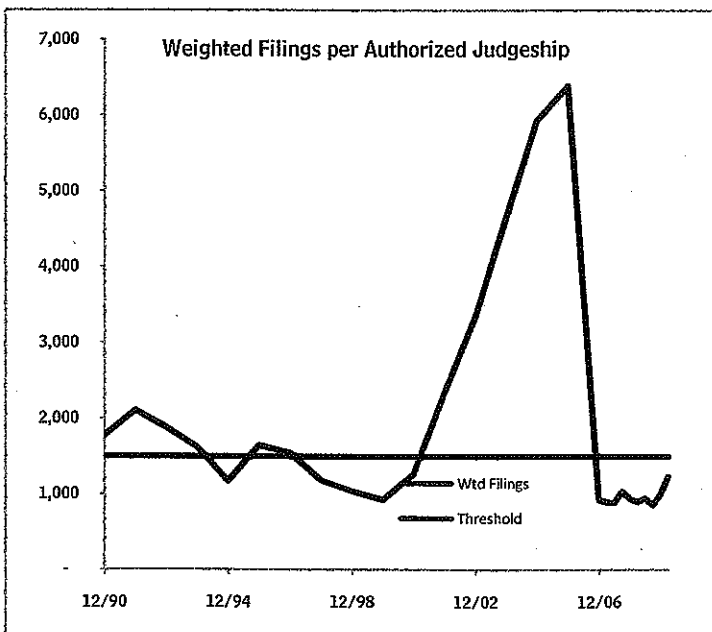
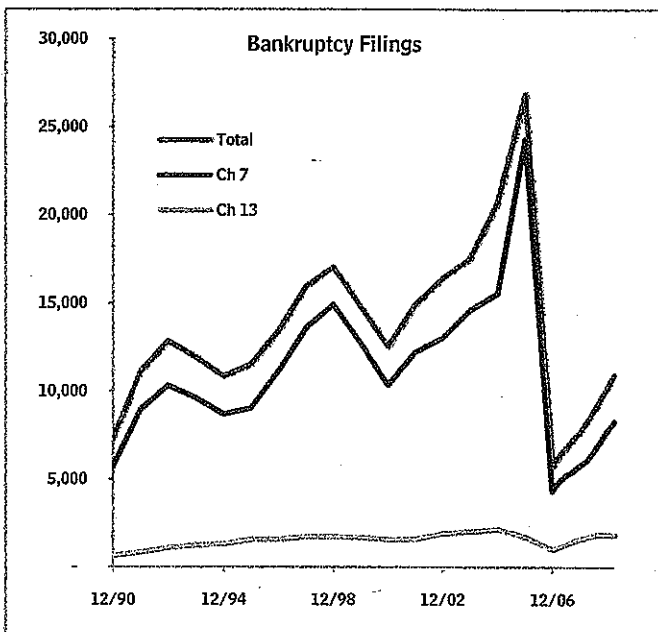


Southern District of New York

| Authorized Judgeships | |
|-----------------------|----|
| Permanent: | 9 |
| Temporary: | 1 |
| Total Authorized: | 10 |

| Judgeship Recommendation(s) | |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Additional Judgeships: | - |
| Conversions: | 1 |
| Extensions: | - |

| 12 Months Ended | Total | Business | Non-business | Ch 7 | Ch 11 | Ch 13 | Weighted Filings | Authorized Judgeships | Weighted Filings per Judgeship |
|-----------------|--------|----------|--------------|--------|-------|-------|------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| 12/31/1990 | 7,312 | 1,132 | 6,180 | 5,705 | 945 | 656 | 12,416 | 7 | 1,774 |
| 12/31/1991 | 11,096 | 1,528 | 9,568 | 8,943 | 1,299 | 844 | 14,735 | 7 | 2,105 |
| 12/31/1992 | 12,851 | 1,682 | 11,169 | 10,304 | 1,431 | 1,096 | 16,920 | 9 | 1,880 |
| 12/31/1993 | 11,932 | 1,227 | 10,705 | 9,619 | 1,068 | 1,237 | 14,580 | 9 | 1,620 |
| 12/31/1994 | 10,851 | 1,025 | 9,826 | 8,686 | 839 | 1,315 | 10,548 | 9 | 1,172 |
| 12/31/1995 | 11,519 | 1,150 | 10,369 | 9,027 | 910 | 1,568 | 14,797 | 9 | 1,644 |
| 12/31/1996 | 13,452 | 950 | 12,502 | 11,163 | 695 | 1,574 | 13,872 | 9 | 1,541 |
| 12/31/1997 | 15,972 | 846 | 15,126 | 13,604 | 621 | 1,740 | 10,677 | 9 | 1,186 |
| 12/31/1998 | 17,047 | 586 | 16,461 | 14,918 | 385 | 1,727 | 9,411 | 9 | 1,046 |
| 12/31/1999 | 14,798 | 565 | 14,233 | 12,727 | 380 | 1,683 | 8,354 | 9 | 928 |
| 12/31/2000 | 12,524 | 788 | 11,736 | 10,339 | 613 | 1,563 | 11,422 | 9 | 1,269 |
| 12/31/2001 | 14,904 | 1,236 | 13,668 | 12,228 | 1,042 | 1,609 | 21,028 | 9 | 2,336 |
| 12/31/2002 | 16,409 | 1,598 | 14,811 | 13,033 | 1,424 | 1,918 | 30,117 | 9 | 3,346 |
| 12/31/2003 | 17,552 | 1,059 | 16,493 | 14,611 | 867 | 2,031 | 41,817 | 9 | 4,646 |
| 12/31/2004 | 20,739 | 3,195 | 17,544 | 15,552 | 2,911 | 2,166 | 53,418 | 9 | 5,935 |
| 12/31/2005 | 26,868 | 1,025 | 25,843 | 24,310 | 790 | 1,722 | 63,889 | 10 | 6,389 |
| 12/31/2006 | 5,737 | 566 | 5,171 | 4,321 | 370 | 993 | 9,290 | 10 | 929 |
| 3/31/2007 | 6,312 | 422 | 5,890 | 4,878 | 237 | 1,159 | 8,991 | 10 | 899 |
| 6/30/2007 | 6,805 | 407 | 6,398 | 5,246 | 215 | 1,308 | 8,910 | 10 | 891 |
| 9/30/2007 | 7,251 | 475 | 6,776 | 5,461 | 265 | 1,492 | 10,343 | 10 | 1,034 |
| 12/31/2007 | 7,672 | 467 | 7,205 | 5,786 | 242 | 1,612 | 9,472 | 10 | 947 |
| 3/31/2008 | 8,231 | 673 | 7,558 | 6,048 | 441 | 1,712 | 8,985 | 10 | 898 |
| 6/30/2008 | 8,836 | 698 | 8,138 | 6,541 | 457 | 1,812 | 9,510 | 10 | 951 |
| 9/30/2008 | 9,537 | 741 | 8,796 | 7,163 | 496 | 1,869 | 8,619 | 10 | 862 |
| 12/31/2008 | 10,230 | 871 | 9,359 | 7,769 | 604 | 1,840 | 10,003 | 10 | 1,000 |
| 3/31/2009 | 10,941 | 1,148 | 9,793 | 8,276 | 823 | 1,820 | 12,354 | 10 | 1,235 |

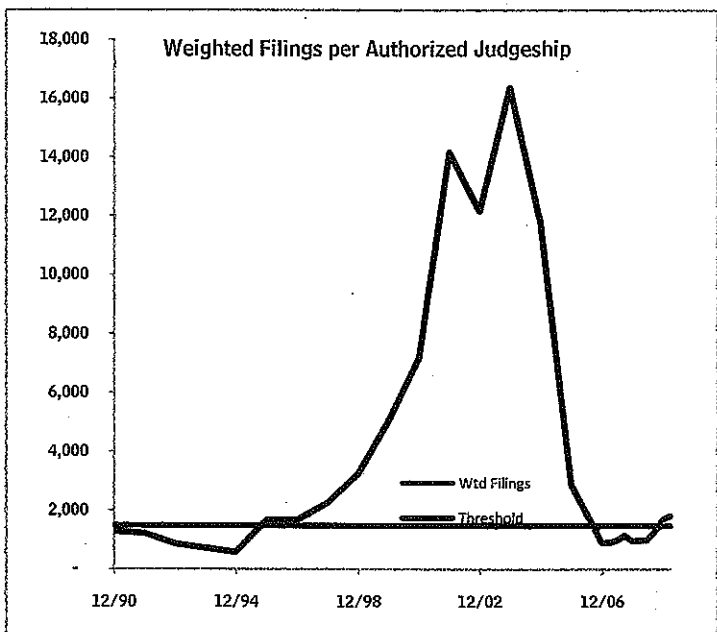
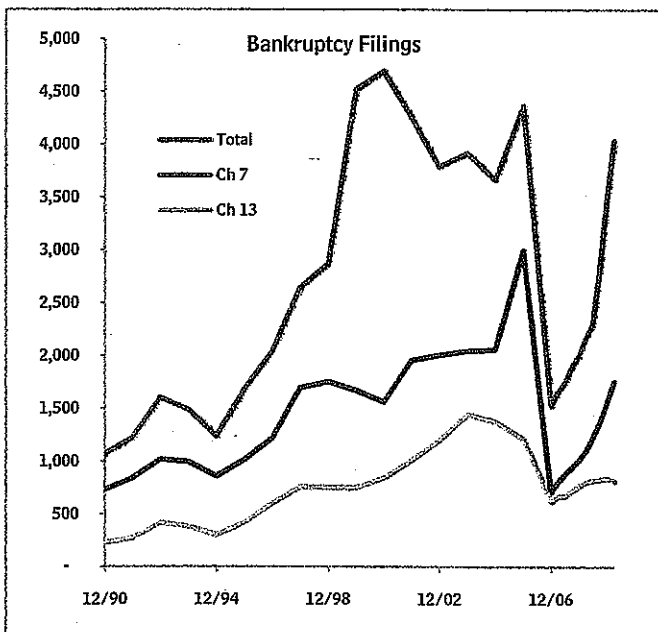


District of Delaware

| Authorized Judgeships | |
|-----------------------|---|
| Permanent: | 1 |
| Temporary: | 5 |
| Total Authorized: | 6 |

| Judgeship Recommendation(s) | |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Additional Judgeships: | - |
| Conversions: | 5 |
| Extensions: | - |

| 12 Months Ended | Total | Business | Non-business | Ch 7 | Ch 11 | Ch 13 | Weighted Filings | Authorized Judgeships | Weighted Filings per Judgeship |
|-----------------|-------|----------|--------------|-------|-------|-------|------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| 12/31/1990 | 1,068 | 114 | 954 | 734 | 104 | 230 | 1,303 | 1 | 1,303 |
| 12/31/1991 | 1,218 | 126 | 1,092 | 840 | 106 | 272 | 1,224 | 1 | 1,224 |
| 12/31/1992 | 1,606 | 243 | 1,363 | 1,016 | 173 | 417 | 1,739 | 2 | 870 |
| 12/31/1993 | 1,492 | 163 | 1,329 | 997 | 113 | 380 | 1,457 | 2 | 728 |
| 12/31/1994 | 1,235 | 120 | 1,115 | 859 | 75 | 301 | 1,178 | 2 | 589 |
| 12/31/1995 | 1,679 | 277 | 1,402 | 1,013 | 246 | 420 | 3,361 | 2 | 1,681 |
| 12/31/1996 | 2,044 | 239 | 1,805 | 1,219 | 217 | 605 | 3,368 | 2 | 1,684 |
| 12/31/1997 | 2,646 | 214 | 2,432 | 1,697 | 189 | 759 | 4,544 | 2 | 2,272 |
| 12/31/1998 | 2,871 | 372 | 2,499 | 1,756 | 362 | 753 | 6,517 | 2 | 3,259 |
| 12/31/1999 | 4,526 | 2,115 | 2,411 | 1,671 | 2,103 | 752 | 10,146 | 2 | 5,073 |
| 12/31/2000 | 4,695 | 2,320 | 2,375 | 1,562 | 2,291 | 842 | 14,386 | 2 | 7,193 |
| 12/31/2001 | 4,259 | 1,374 | 2,885 | 1,958 | 1,289 | 1,012 | 28,347 | 2 | 14,174 |
| 12/31/2002 | 3,789 | 649 | 3,140 | 2,006 | 561 | 1,201 | 24,341 | 2 | 12,171 |
| 12/31/2003 | 3,918 | 505 | 3,413 | 2,046 | 423 | 1,445 | 32,725 | 2 | 16,363 |
| 12/31/2004 | 3,668 | 276 | 3,392 | 2,059 | 233 | 1,376 | 23,577 | 2 | 11,789 |
| 12/31/2005 | 4,368 | 218 | 4,150 | 2,997 | 158 | 1,211 | 17,266 | 6 | 2,878 |
| 12/31/2006 | 1,528 | 244 | 1,284 | 706 | 203 | 619 | 5,527 | 6 | 921 |
| 3/31/2007 | 1,653 | 219 | 1,434 | 804 | 178 | 671 | 5,535 | 6 | 922 |
| 6/30/2007 | 1,750 | 243 | 1,507 | 881 | 198 | 671 | 5,970 | 6 | 995 |
| 9/30/2007 | 1,897 | 288 | 1,609 | 947 | 220 | 727 | 6,948 | 6 | 1,158 |
| 12/31/2007 | 2,002 | 306 | 1,696 | 1,012 | 223 | 763 | 5,925 | 6 | 988 |
| 3/31/2008 | 2,172 | 351 | 1,821 | 1,102 | 257 | 809 | 5,988 | 6 | 998 |
| 6/30/2008 | 2,303 | 361 | 1,942 | 1,228 | 251 | 820 | 6,075 | 6 | 1,012 |
| 9/30/2008 | 2,827 | 729 | 2,098 | 1,379 | 603 | 830 | 7,788 | 6 | 1,298 |
| 12/31/2008 | 3,482 | 1,198 | 2,284 | 1,559 | 1,068 | 839 | 10,258 | 6 | 1,710 |
| 3/31/2009 | 4,040 | 1,604 | 2,436 | 1,754 | 1,452 | 813 | 10,950 | 6 | 1,825 |

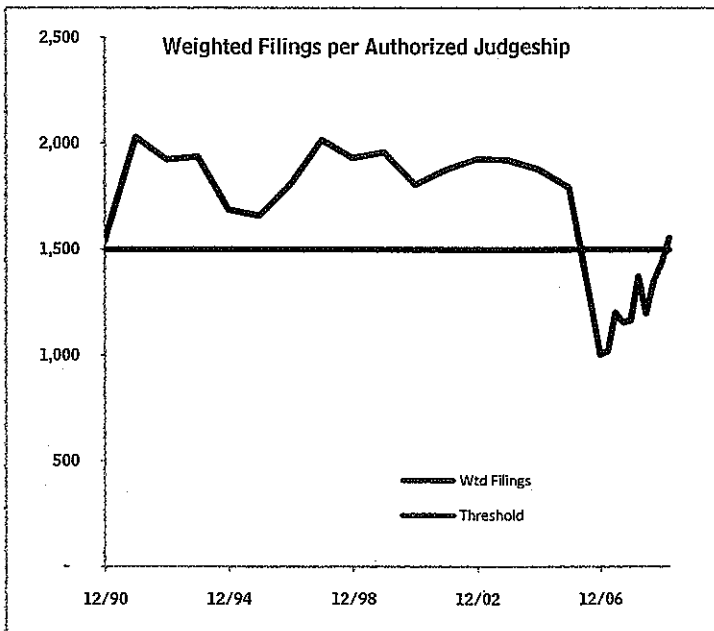
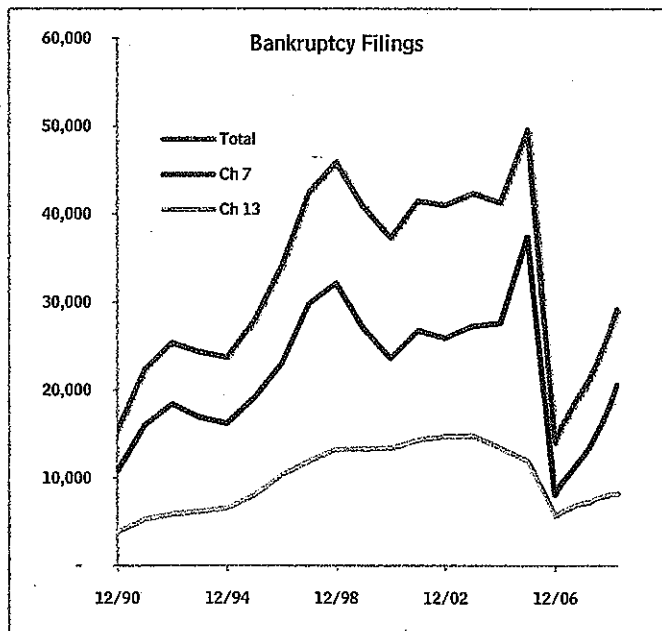


District of New Jersey

| Authorized Judgeships | |
|-----------------------|---|
| Permanent: | 8 |
| Temporary: | 1 |
| Total Authorized: | 9 |

| Judgeship Recommendation(s) | |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Additional Judgeships: | - |
| Conversions: | 1 |
| Extensions: | - |

| 12 Months Ended | Total | Business | Non-business | Ch 7 | Ch 11 | Ch 13 | Weighted Filings | Authorized Judgeships | Weighted Filings per Judgeship |
|-----------------|--------|----------|--------------|--------|-------|--------|------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| 12/31/1990 | 15,405 | 1,128 | 14,277 | 10,785 | 747 | 3,869 | 10,771 | 7 | 1,539 |
| 12/31/1991 | 22,338 | 1,303 | 21,035 | 16,046 | 958 | 5,330 | 14,213 | 7 | 2,030 |
| 12/31/1992 | 25,343 | 1,561 | 23,782 | 18,423 | 1,010 | 5,907 | 15,390 | 8 | 1,924 |
| 12/31/1993 | 24,295 | 1,870 | 22,425 | 16,920 | 1,195 | 6,178 | 15,494 | 8 | 1,937 |
| 12/31/1994 | 23,688 | 1,354 | 22,334 | 16,216 | 889 | 6,580 | 13,480 | 8 | 1,685 |
| 12/31/1995 | 27,788 | 1,195 | 26,593 | 19,130 | 588 | 8,067 | 13,265 | 8 | 1,658 |
| 12/31/1996 | 34,091 | 1,068 | 33,023 | 23,016 | 683 | 10,389 | 14,467 | 8 | 1,808 |
| 12/31/1997 | 42,434 | 1,112 | 41,322 | 29,826 | 635 | 11,969 | 16,132 | 8 | 2,016 |
| 12/31/1998 | 45,880 | 876 | 45,004 | 32,137 | 455 | 13,283 | 15,451 | 8 | 1,931 |
| 12/31/1999 | 40,814 | 877 | 39,937 | 27,005 | 479 | 13,328 | 15,660 | 8 | 1,958 |
| 12/31/2000 | 37,305 | 660 | 36,645 | 23,599 | 326 | 13,377 | 14,429 | 8 | 1,804 |
| 12/31/2001 | 41,484 | 730 | 40,754 | 26,766 | 384 | 14,333 | 15,005 | 8 | 1,876 |
| 12/31/2002 | 40,999 | 689 | 40,310 | 25,922 | 349 | 14,726 | 15,408 | 8 | 1,926 |
| 12/31/2003 | 42,377 | 734 | 41,643 | 27,256 | 354 | 14,764 | 15,372 | 8 | 1,921 |
| 12/31/2004 | 41,280 | 684 | 40,596 | 27,598 | 312 | 13,370 | 15,017 | 8 | 1,877 |
| 12/31/2005 | 49,597 | 765 | 48,832 | 37,443 | 251 | 11,903 | 16,111 | 9 | 1,790 |
| 12/31/2006 | 14,041 | 493 | 13,548 | 8,130 | 204 | 5,704 | 9,026 | 9 | 1,003 |
| 3/31/2007 | 15,893 | 560 | 15,333 | 9,465 | 221 | 6,205 | 9,178 | 9 | 1,020 |
| 6/30/2007 | 17,275 | 705 | 16,570 | 10,357 | 358 | 6,558 | 10,810 | 9 | 1,201 |
| 9/30/2007 | 18,702 | 802 | 17,900 | 11,388 | 387 | 6,924 | 10,395 | 9 | 1,155 |
| 12/31/2007 | 19,948 | 864 | 19,084 | 12,402 | 385 | 7,160 | 10,492 | 9 | 1,166 |
| 3/31/2008 | 21,191 | 947 | 20,244 | 13,477 | 412 | 7,301 | 12,345 | 9 | 1,372 |
| 6/30/2008 | 22,911 | 925 | 21,986 | 14,925 | 303 | 7,682 | 10,777 | 9 | 1,197 |
| 9/30/2008 | 24,764 | 993 | 23,771 | 16,523 | 334 | 7,907 | 12,175 | 9 | 1,353 |
| 12/31/2008 | 26,833 | 1,067 | 25,766 | 18,327 | 335 | 8,170 | 12,921 | 9 | 1,436 |
| 3/31/2009 | 29,181 | 1,217 | 27,964 | 20,590 | 369 | 8,206 | 13,981 | 9 | 1,553 |

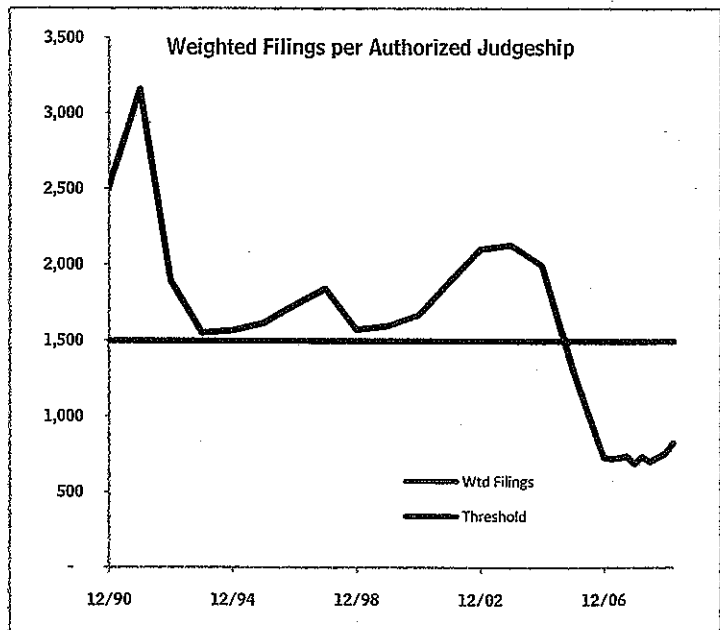
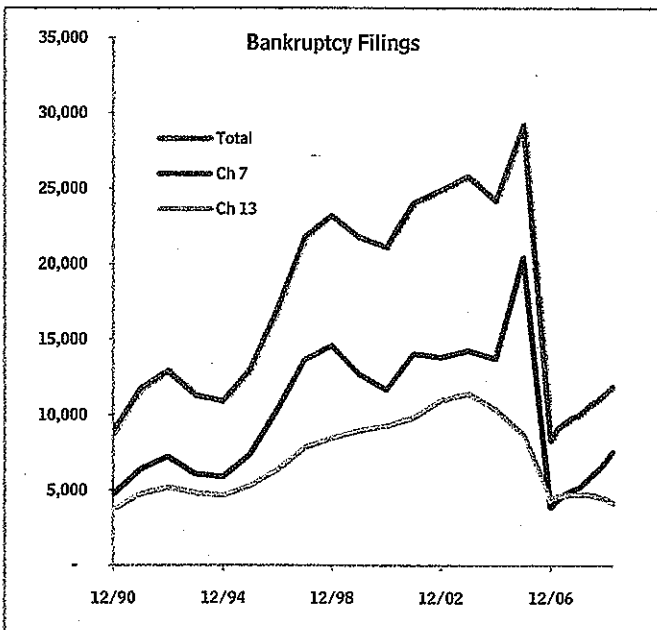


Eastern District of Pennsylvania

| Authorized Judgeships | |
|-----------------------|---|
| Permanent: | 5 |
| Temporary: | 1 |
| Total Authorized: | 6 |

| Judgeship Recommendation(s) | |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Additional Judgeships: | - |
| Conversions: | - |
| Extensions: | 1 |

| 12 Months Ended | Total | Business | Non-business | Ch 7 | Ch 11 | Ch 13 | Weighted Filings | Authorized Judgeships | Weighted Filings per Judgeship |
|-----------------|--------|----------|--------------|--------|-------|--------|------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| 12/31/1990 | 8,821 | 663 | 8,158 | 4,712 | 403 | 3,705 | 7,528 | 3 | 2,509 |
| 12/31/1991 | 11,716 | 939 | 10,777 | 6,394 | 580 | 4,740 | 9,481 | 3 | 3,160 |
| 12/31/1992 | 12,877 | 1,128 | 11,749 | 7,216 | 493 | 5,167 | 9,477 | 5 | 1,895 |
| 12/31/1993 | 11,286 | 976 | 10,310 | 6,079 | 399 | 4,804 | 7,761 | 5 | 1,552 |
| 12/31/1994 | 10,894 | 849 | 10,045 | 5,883 | 376 | 4,632 | 7,840 | 5 | 1,568 |
| 12/31/1995 | 12,990 | 596 | 12,394 | 7,371 | 307 | 5,309 | 8,088 | 5 | 1,618 |
| 12/31/1996 | 17,020 | 605 | 16,415 | 10,348 | 288 | 6,376 | 8,686 | 5 | 1,737 |
| 12/31/1997 | 21,773 | 561 | 21,212 | 13,661 | 277 | 7,822 | 9,221 | 5 | 1,844 |
| 12/31/1998 | 23,187 | 392 | 22,795 | 14,576 | 149 | 8,457 | 7,866 | 5 | 1,573 |
| 12/31/1999 | 21,752 | 328 | 21,424 | 12,682 | 132 | 8,934 | 7,990 | 5 | 1,598 |
| 12/31/2000 | 21,099 | 328 | 20,771 | 11,649 | 180 | 9,269 | 8,353 | 5 | 1,671 |
| 12/31/2001 | 24,014 | 319 | 23,695 | 14,040 | 144 | 9,828 | 9,450 | 5 | 1,890 |
| 12/31/2002 | 24,887 | 318 | 24,569 | 13,805 | 114 | 10,966 | 10,532 | 5 | 2,106 |
| 12/31/2003 | 25,800 | 350 | 25,450 | 14,251 | 144 | 11,400 | 10,671 | 5 | 2,134 |
| 12/31/2004 | 24,191 | 396 | 23,795 | 13,710 | 161 | 10,319 | 9,993 | 5 | 1,999 |
| 12/31/2005 | 29,207 | 413 | 28,794 | 20,418 | 111 | 8,675 | 7,894 | 6 | 1,316 |
| 12/31/2006 | 8,325 | 209 | 8,116 | 3,891 | 48 | 4,386 | 4,391 | 6 | 732 |
| 3/31/2007 | 9,067 | 240 | 8,827 | 4,377 | 60 | 4,630 | 4,351 | 6 | 725 |
| 6/30/2007 | 9,485 | 256 | 9,229 | 4,737 | 68 | 4,680 | 4,376 | 6 | 729 |
| 9/30/2007 | 9,778 | 274 | 9,504 | 4,992 | 66 | 4,720 | 4,451 | 6 | 742 |
| 12/31/2007 | 9,970 | 297 | 9,673 | 5,165 | 77 | 4,728 | 4,136 | 6 | 689 |
| 3/31/2008 | 10,346 | 315 | 10,031 | 5,519 | 77 | 4,750 | 4,409 | 6 | 735 |
| 6/30/2008 | 10,761 | 337 | 10,424 | 5,978 | 80 | 4,702 | 4,225 | 6 | 704 |
| 9/30/2008 | 11,023 | 372 | 10,651 | 6,385 | 95 | 4,542 | 4,384 | 6 | 731 |
| 12/31/2008 | 11,432 | 407 | 11,025 | 6,905 | 106 | 4,420 | 4,555 | 6 | 759 |
| 3/31/2009 | 11,849 | 457 | 11,392 | 7,550 | 125 | 4,173 | 4,965 | 6 | 827 |

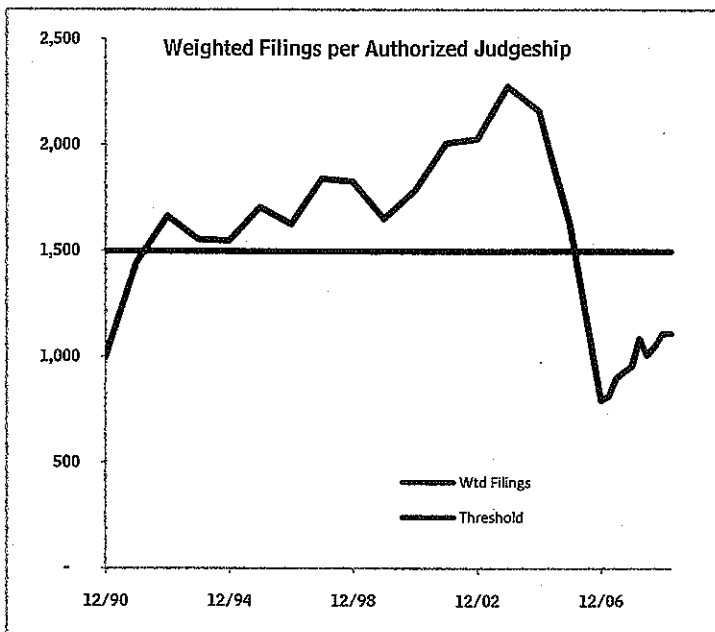
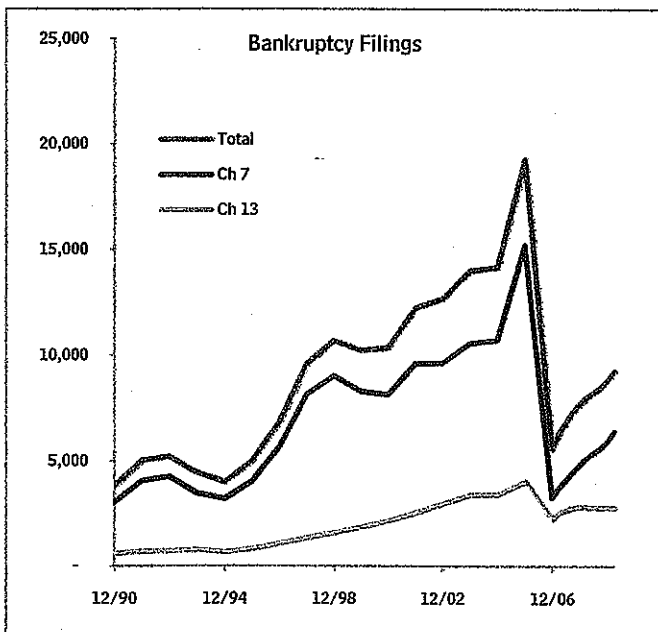


Middle District of Pennsylvania

| Authorized Judgeships | |
|-----------------------|---|
| Permanent: | 2 |
| Temporary: | 1 |
| Total Authorized: | 3 |

| Judgeship Recommendation(s) | |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Additional Judgeships: | - |
| Conversions: | 1 |
| Extensions: | - |

| 12 Months Ended | Total | Business | Non-business | Ch 7 | Ch 11 | Ch 13 | Weighted Filings | Authorized Judgeships | Weighted Filings per Judgeship |
|-----------------|--------|----------|--------------|--------|-------|-------|------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| 12/31/1990 | 3,801 | 526 | 3,275 | 3,041 | 159 | 597 | 1,995 | 2 | 997 |
| 12/31/1991 | 5,012 | 807 | 4,205 | 4,069 | 237 | 701 | 2,894 | 2 | 1,447 |
| 12/31/1992 | 5,196 | 746 | 4,450 | 4,245 | 214 | 731 | 3,327 | 2 | 1,663 |
| 12/31/1993 | 4,436 | 741 | 3,695 | 3,465 | 186 | 774 | 3,108 | 2 | 1,554 |
| 12/31/1994 | 3,985 | 578 | 3,407 | 3,198 | 119 | 661 | 3,096 | 2 | 1,548 |
| 12/31/1995 | 4,973 | 661 | 4,312 | 4,038 | 109 | 817 | 3,414 | 2 | 1,707 |
| 12/31/1996 | 6,833 | 758 | 6,075 | 5,658 | 88 | 1,083 | 3,254 | 2 | 1,627 |
| 12/31/1997 | 9,593 | 852 | 8,741 | 8,141 | 96 | 1,349 | 3,682 | 2 | 1,841 |
| 12/31/1998 | 10,693 | 837 | 9,856 | 9,025 | 63 | 1,600 | 3,657 | 2 | 1,828 |
| 12/31/1999 | 10,212 | 706 | 9,506 | 8,285 | 59 | 1,866 | 3,303 | 2 | 1,652 |
| 12/31/2000 | 10,370 | 745 | 9,625 | 8,132 | 66 | 2,168 | 3,576 | 2 | 1,788 |
| 12/31/2001 | 12,232 | 811 | 11,421 | 9,604 | 79 | 2,549 | 4,017 | 2 | 2,009 |
| 12/31/2002 | 12,675 | 461 | 12,214 | 9,636 | 61 | 2,978 | 4,056 | 2 | 2,028 |
| 12/31/2003 | 14,003 | 280 | 13,723 | 10,559 | 57 | 3,385 | 4,553 | 2 | 2,276 |
| 12/31/2004 | 14,179 | 298 | 13,881 | 10,721 | 52 | 3,406 | 4,323 | 2 | 2,162 |
| 12/31/2005 | 19,309 | 381 | 18,928 | 15,210 | 58 | 4,039 | 4,885 | 3 | 1,628 |
| 12/31/2006 | 5,558 | 192 | 5,366 | 3,271 | 31 | 2,247 | 2,391 | 3 | 797 |
| 3/31/2007 | 6,349 | 196 | 6,153 | 3,742 | 28 | 2,573 | 2,444 | 3 | 815 |
| 6/30/2007 | 6,849 | 192 | 6,657 | 4,117 | 34 | 2,691 | 2,706 | 3 | 902 |
| 9/30/2007 | 7,332 | 197 | 7,135 | 4,506 | 27 | 2,791 | 2,797 | 3 | 932 |
| 12/31/2007 | 7,713 | 211 | 7,502 | 4,831 | 32 | 2,843 | 2,875 | 3 | 958 |
| 3/31/2008 | 8,007 | 230 | 7,777 | 5,149 | 41 | 2,810 | 3,265 | 3 | 1,088 |
| 6/30/2008 | 8,262 | 237 | 8,025 | 5,398 | 44 | 2,817 | 3,031 | 3 | 1,010 |
| 9/30/2008 | 8,480 | 259 | 8,221 | 5,624 | 55 | 2,799 | 3,162 | 3 | 1,054 |
| 12/31/2008 | 8,839 | 264 | 8,575 | 5,964 | 59 | 2,814 | 3,338 | 3 | 1,113 |
| 3/31/2009 | 9,245 | 267 | 8,978 | 6,409 | 53 | 2,781 | 3,338 | 3 | 1,113 |

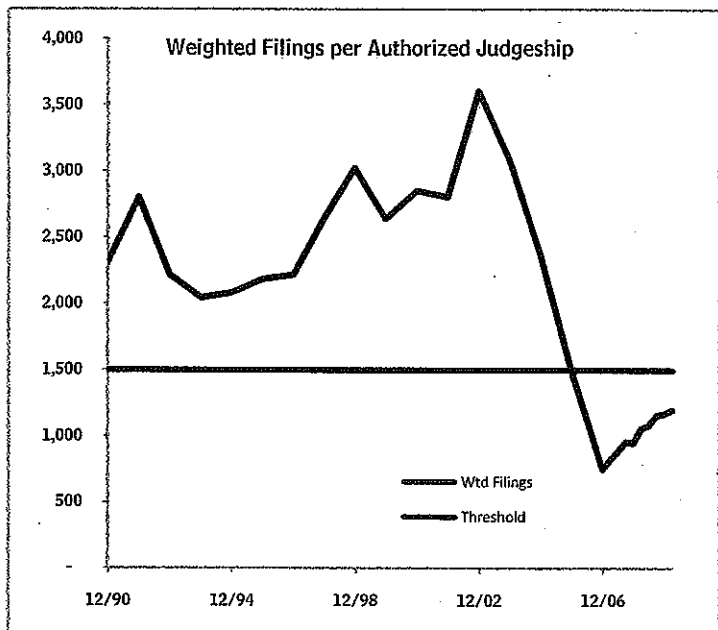
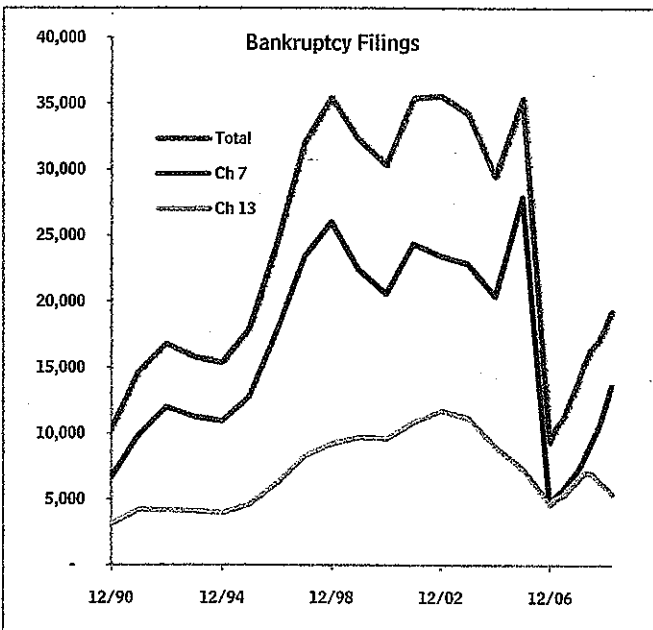


District of Maryland

| Authorized Judgeships | |
|-----------------------|---|
| Permanent: | 4 |
| Temporary: | 3 |
| Total Authorized: | 7 |

| Judgeship Recommendation(s) | |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Additional Judgeships: | - |
| Conversions: | 3 |
| Extensions: | - |

| 12 Months Ended | Total | Business | Non-business | Ch 7 | Ch 11 | Ch 13 | Weighted Filings | Authorized Judgeships | Weighted Filings per Judgeship |
|-----------------|--------|----------|--------------|--------|-------|--------|------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| 12/31/1990 | 10,311 | 1,356 | 8,955 | 6,672 | 460 | 3,174 | 6,927 | 3 | 2,309 |
| 12/31/1991 | 14,707 | 1,633 | 13,074 | 9,882 | 593 | 4,228 | 8,407 | 3 | 2,802 |
| 12/31/1992 | 16,790 | 1,642 | 15,148 | 12,019 | 576 | 4,188 | 8,851 | 4 | 2,213 |
| 12/31/1993 | 15,790 | 1,575 | 14,215 | 11,254 | 405 | 4,130 | 8,175 | 4 | 2,044 |
| 12/31/1994 | 15,343 | 1,243 | 14,100 | 10,938 | 417 | 3,985 | 8,320 | 4 | 2,080 |
| 12/31/1995 | 17,925 | 1,493 | 16,432 | 12,790 | 479 | 4,651 | 8,732 | 4 | 2,183 |
| 12/31/1996 | 24,347 | 1,469 | 22,878 | 17,738 | 353 | 6,252 | 8,863 | 4 | 2,216 |
| 12/31/1997 | 31,991 | 1,678 | 30,313 | 23,403 | 292 | 8,292 | 10,558 | 4 | 2,639 |
| 12/31/1998 | 35,430 | 1,231 | 34,199 | 26,011 | 209 | 9,208 | 12,098 | 4 | 3,024 |
| 12/31/1999 | 32,273 | 795 | 31,478 | 22,403 | 159 | 9,709 | 10,548 | 4 | 2,637 |
| 12/31/2000 | 30,335 | 677 | 29,658 | 20,572 | 166 | 9,597 | 11,406 | 4 | 2,851 |
| 12/31/2001 | 35,388 | 758 | 34,630 | 24,356 | 174 | 10,858 | 11,216 | 4 | 2,804 |
| 12/31/2002 | 35,573 | 873 | 34,700 | 23,447 | 412 | 11,711 | 14,417 | 4 | 3,604 |
| 12/31/2003 | 34,231 | 523 | 33,708 | 22,853 | 194 | 11,182 | 12,334 | 4 | 3,083 |
| 12/31/2004 | 29,467 | 417 | 29,050 | 20,384 | 112 | 8,971 | 9,464 | 4 | 2,366 |
| 12/31/2005 | 35,345 | 760 | 34,585 | 27,895 | 131 | 7,319 | 10,403 | 7 | 1,486 |
| 12/31/2006 | 9,349 | 333 | 9,016 | 4,663 | 95 | 4,591 | 5,257 | 7 | 751 |
| 3/31/2007 | 10,503 | 414 | 10,089 | 5,309 | 122 | 5,071 | 5,754 | 7 | 822 |
| 6/30/2007 | 11,222 | 406 | 10,816 | 5,791 | 134 | 5,296 | 6,210 | 7 | 887 |
| 9/30/2007 | 12,509 | 389 | 12,120 | 6,448 | 135 | 5,925 | 6,696 | 7 | 957 |
| 12/31/2007 | 13,733 | 380 | 13,353 | 7,119 | 150 | 6,463 | 6,640 | 7 | 949 |
| 3/31/2008 | 15,217 | 344 | 14,873 | 8,073 | 139 | 7,004 | 7,401 | 7 | 1,057 |
| 6/30/2008 | 16,339 | 405 | 15,934 | 9,191 | 162 | 6,985 | 7,564 | 7 | 1,081 |
| 9/30/2008 | 16,926 | 525 | 16,401 | 10,302 | 228 | 6,395 | 8,096 | 7 | 1,157 |
| 12/31/2008 | 18,005 | 628 | 17,377 | 11,834 | 226 | 5,944 | 8,195 | 7 | 1,171 |
| 3/31/2009 | 19,261 | 733 | 18,528 | 13,593 | 250 | 5,418 | 8,389 | 7 | 1,198 |

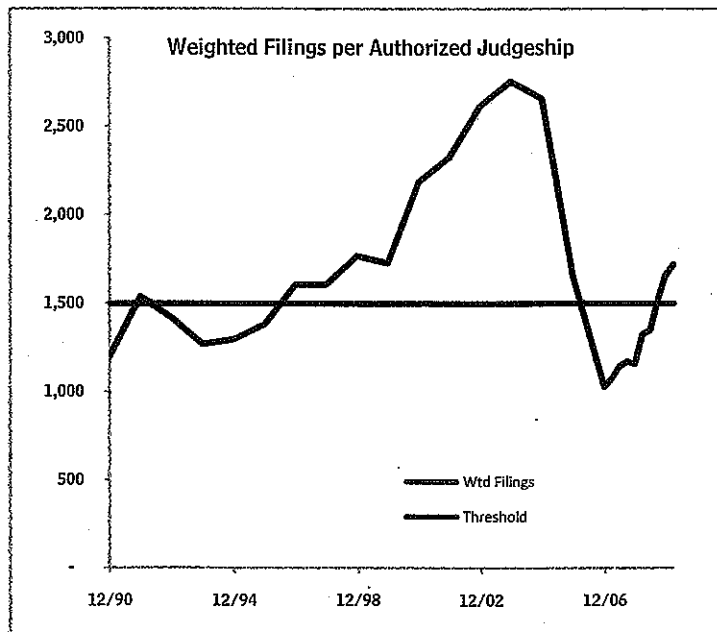
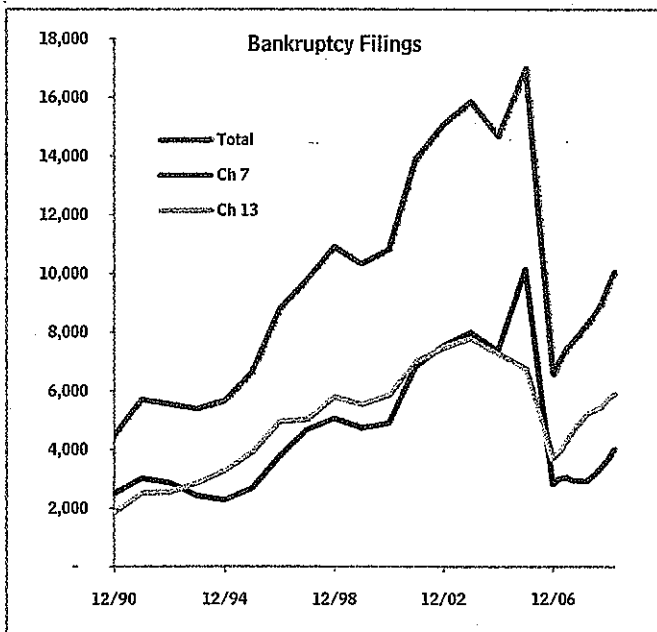


Eastern District of North Carolina

| Authorized Judgeships | |
|-----------------------|---|
| Permanent: | 2 |
| Temporary: | 1 |
| Total Authorized: | 3 |

| Judgeship Recommendation(s) | |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Additional Judgeships: | - |
| Conversions: | 1 |
| Extensions: | - |

| 12 Months Ended | Total | Business | Non-business | Ch 7 | Ch 11 | Ch 13 | Weighted Filings | Authorized Judgeships | Weighted Filings per Judgeship |
|-----------------|--------|----------|--------------|--------|-------|-------|------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| 12/31/1990 | 4,480 | 560 | 3,920 | 2,502 | 111 | 1,842 | 2,390 | 2 | 1,195 |
| 12/31/1991 | 5,710 | 656 | 5,054 | 3,027 | 139 | 2,528 | 3,075 | 2 | 1,538 |
| 12/31/1992 | 5,557 | 585 | 4,972 | 2,881 | 109 | 2,540 | 2,836 | 2 | 1,418 |
| 12/31/1993 | 5,391 | 521 | 4,870 | 2,434 | 83 | 2,854 | 2,538 | 2 | 1,269 |
| 12/31/1994 | 5,652 | 474 | 5,178 | 2,284 | 74 | 3,277 | 2,594 | 2 | 1,297 |
| 12/31/1995 | 6,637 | 457 | 6,180 | 2,678 | 50 | 3,900 | 2,762 | 2 | 1,381 |
| 12/31/1996 | 8,801 | 446 | 8,355 | 3,775 | 58 | 4,958 | 3,214 | 2 | 1,607 |
| 12/31/1997 | 9,788 | 426 | 9,362 | 4,692 | 57 | 5,029 | 3,213 | 2 | 1,606 |
| 12/31/1998 | 10,914 | 321 | 10,593 | 5,064 | 34 | 5,803 | 3,536 | 2 | 1,768 |
| 12/31/1999 | 10,325 | 263 | 10,062 | 4,744 | 31 | 5,539 | 3,455 | 2 | 1,728 |
| 12/31/2000 | 10,832 | 257 | 10,575 | 4,912 | 60 | 5,857 | 4,373 | 2 | 2,187 |
| 12/31/2001 | 13,917 | 231 | 13,686 | 6,835 | 55 | 7,019 | 4,651 | 2 | 2,326 |
| 12/31/2002 | 15,072 | 225 | 14,847 | 7,543 | 62 | 7,459 | 5,234 | 2 | 2,617 |
| 12/31/2003 | 15,875 | 209 | 15,666 | 8,000 | 73 | 7,781 | 5,512 | 2 | 2,756 |
| 12/31/2004 | 14,707 | 163 | 14,544 | 7,378 | 64 | 7,261 | 5,318 | 2 | 2,659 |
| 12/31/2005 | 16,994 | 220 | 16,774 | 10,165 | 39 | 6,786 | 4,960 | 3 | 1,653 |
| 12/31/2006 | 6,601 | 136 | 6,465 | 2,839 | 42 | 3,716 | 3,083 | 3 | 1,028 |
| 3/31/2007 | 7,048 | 142 | 6,906 | 3,033 | 47 | 3,966 | 3,222 | 3 | 1,074 |
| 6/30/2007 | 7,451 | 149 | 7,302 | 3,071 | 47 | 4,331 | 3,428 | 3 | 1,143 |
| 9/30/2007 | 7,703 | 182 | 7,521 | 2,974 | 52 | 4,674 | 3,512 | 3 | 1,171 |
| 12/31/2007 | 7,992 | 223 | 7,769 | 2,954 | 60 | 4,975 | 3,468 | 3 | 1,156 |
| 3/31/2008 | 8,284 | 247 | 8,037 | 2,952 | 77 | 5,252 | 3,972 | 3 | 1,324 |
| 6/30/2008 | 8,593 | 291 | 8,302 | 3,143 | 94 | 5,353 | 4,049 | 3 | 1,350 |
| 9/30/2008 | 8,956 | 334 | 8,622 | 3,374 | 117 | 5,458 | 4,560 | 3 | 1,520 |
| 12/31/2008 | 9,572 | 366 | 9,206 | 3,662 | 133 | 5,769 | 4,970 | 3 | 1,657 |
| 3/31/2009 | 10,062 | 416 | 9,646 | 4,023 | 131 | 5,899 | 5,158 | 3 | 1,719 |

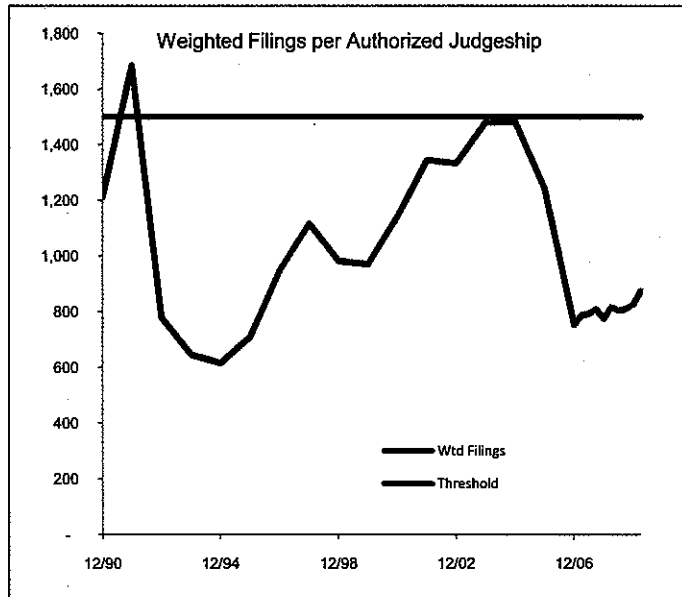
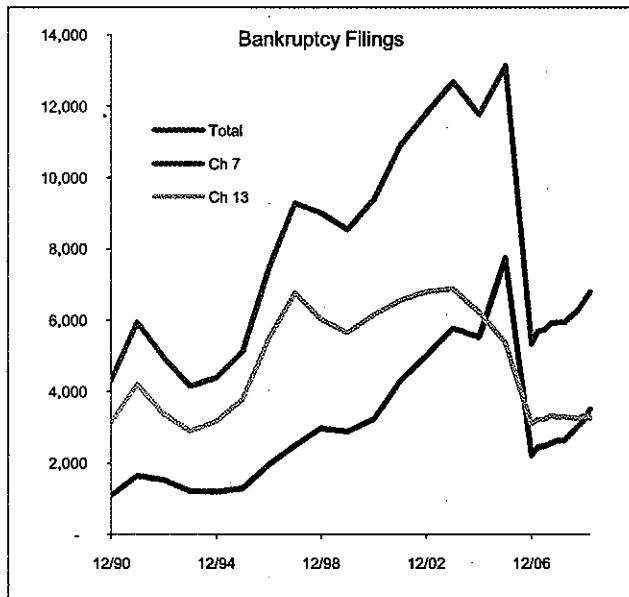


Middle District of North Carolina

| Authorized Judgeships | |
|-----------------------|---|
| Permanent: | 2 |
| Temporary: | 1 |
| Total Authorized: | 3 |

| Judgeship Recommendation(s) | |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Additional Judgeships: | - |
| Conversions: | - |
| Extensions: | 1 |

| 12 Months Ended | Total | Business | Non-business | Ch 7 | Ch 11 | Ch 13 | Weighted Filings | Authorized Judgeships | Weighted Filings per Judgeship |
|-----------------|--------|----------|--------------|-------|-------|-------|------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| 12/31/1990 | 4,327 | 460 | 3,867 | 1,091 | 94 | 3,138 | 2,424 | 2 | 1,212 |
| 12/31/1991 | 5,942 | 525 | 5,417 | 1,644 | 86 | 4,210 | 3,369 | 2 | 1,684 |
| 12/31/1992 | 4,960 | 415 | 4,545 | 1,529 | 58 | 3,371 | 2,339 | 3 | 780 |
| 12/31/1993 | 4,157 | 325 | 3,832 | 1,210 | 52 | 2,894 | 1,938 | 3 | 646 |
| 12/31/1994 | 4,388 | 222 | 4,166 | 1,191 | 34 | 3,163 | 1,845 | 3 | 615 |
| 12/31/1995 | 5,109 | 184 | 4,925 | 1,287 | 37 | 3,783 | 2,127 | 3 | 709 |
| 12/31/1996 | 7,459 | 167 | 7,292 | 1,952 | 25 | 5,480 | 2,845 | 3 | 948 |
| 12/31/1997 | 9,289 | 212 | 9,077 | 2,483 | 37 | 6,766 | 3,347 | 3 | 1,116 |
| 12/31/1998 | 9,014 | 144 | 8,870 | 2,968 | 18 | 6,028 | 2,948 | 3 | 983 |
| 12/31/1999 | 8,543 | 113 | 8,430 | 2,876 | 17 | 5,649 | 2,911 | 3 | 970 |
| 12/31/2000 | 9,398 | 115 | 9,283 | 3,228 | 14 | 6,154 | 3,425 | 3 | 1,142 |
| 12/31/2001 | 10,908 | 257 | 10,651 | 4,300 | 56 | 6,552 | 4,035 | 3 | 1,345 |
| 12/31/2002 | 11,822 | 247 | 11,575 | 4,997 | 24 | 6,801 | 4,002 | 3 | 1,334 |
| 12/31/2003 | 12,681 | 182 | 12,499 | 5,770 | 25 | 6,886 | 4,441 | 3 | 1,480 |
| 12/31/2004 | 11,775 | 236 | 11,539 | 5,517 | 37 | 6,221 | 4,448 | 3 | 1,483 |
| 12/31/2005 | 13,140 | 309 | 12,831 | 7,745 | 15 | 5,380 | 3,732 | 3 | 1,244 |
| 12/31/2006 | 5,335 | 155 | 5,180 | 2,218 | 20 | 3,094 | 2,259 | 3 | 753 |
| 3/31/2007 | 5,688 | 179 | 5,509 | 2,446 | 27 | 3,214 | 2,366 | 3 | 789 |
| 6/30/2007 | 5,732 | 175 | 5,557 | 2,473 | 27 | 3,228 | 2,377 | 3 | 792 |
| 9/30/2007 | 5,907 | 182 | 5,725 | 2,554 | 25 | 3,325 | 2,425 | 3 | 808 |
| 12/31/2007 | 5,940 | 187 | 5,753 | 2,631 | 22 | 3,282 | 2,326 | 3 | 775 |
| 3/31/2008 | 5,940 | 196 | 5,744 | 2,631 | 13 | 3,291 | 2,451 | 3 | 817 |
| 6/30/2008 | 6,101 | 237 | 5,864 | 2,804 | 19 | 3,276 | 2,413 | 3 | 804 |
| 9/30/2008 | 6,264 | 280 | 5,984 | 2,995 | 22 | 3,245 | 2,430 | 3 | 810 |
| 12/31/2008 | 6,521 | 306 | 6,215 | 3,175 | 19 | 3,321 | 2,483 | 3 | 828 |
| 3/31/2009 | 6,801 | 361 | 6,440 | 3,507 | 27 | 3,260 | 2,625 | 3 | 875 |

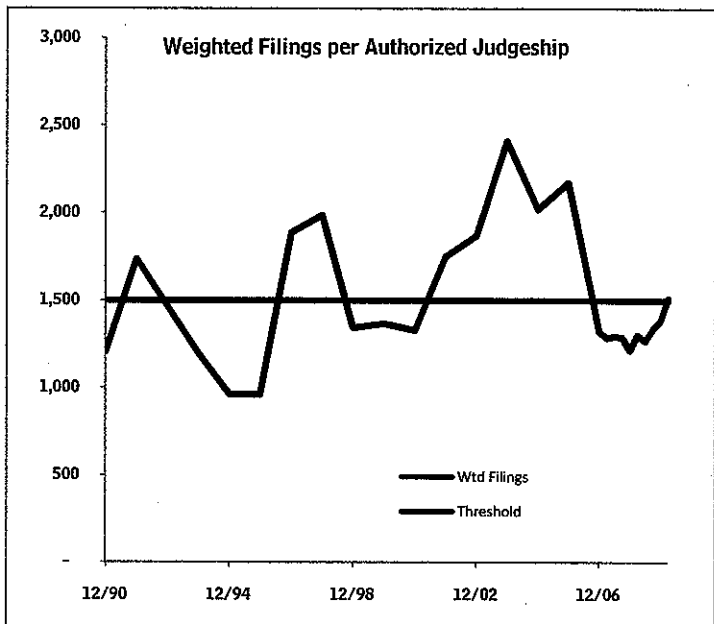
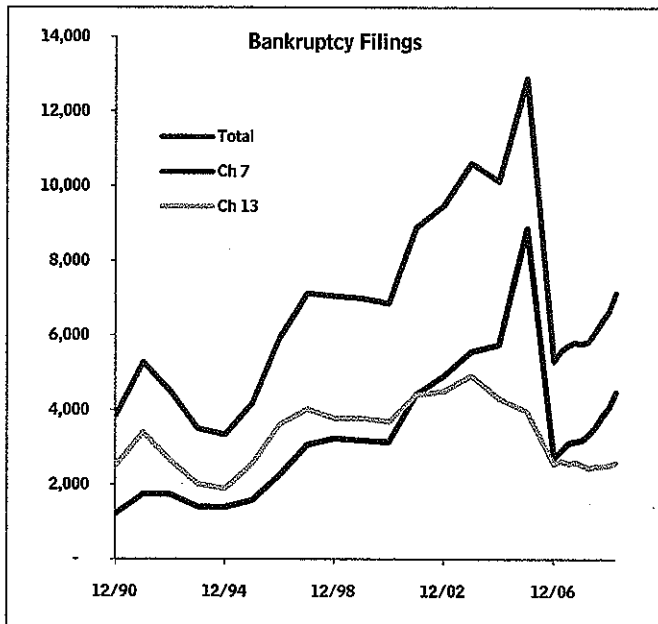


Western District of North Carolina

| Authorized Judgeships | |
|-----------------------|---|
| Permanent: | 2 |
| Temporary: | - |
| Total Authorized: | 2 |

| Judgeship Recommendation(s) | |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Additional Judgeships: | 1 |
| Conversions: | - |
| Extensions: | - |

| 12 Months Ended | Total | Business | Non-business | Ch 7 | Ch 11 | Ch 13 | Weighted Filings | Authorized Judgeships | Weighted Filings per Judgeship |
|-----------------|--------|----------|--------------|-------|-------|-------|------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| 12/31/1990 | 3,852 | 260 | 3,592 | 1,229 | 107 | 2,513 | 2,411 | 2 | 1,205 |
| 12/31/1991 | 5,285 | 209 | 5,076 | 1,752 | 126 | 3,403 | 3,471 | 2 | 1,736 |
| 12/31/1992 | 4,501 | 179 | 4,322 | 1,740 | 100 | 2,651 | 2,928 | 2 | 1,464 |
| 12/31/1993 | 3,500 | 100 | 3,400 | 1,409 | 67 | 2,020 | 2,391 | 2 | 1,196 |
| 12/31/1994 | 3,338 | 86 | 3,252 | 1,400 | 43 | 1,893 | 1,928 | 2 | 964 |
| 12/31/1995 | 4,188 | 85 | 4,103 | 1,586 | 39 | 2,563 | 1,917 | 2 | 959 |
| 12/31/1996 | 5,936 | 90 | 5,846 | 2,267 | 51 | 3,615 | 3,775 | 2 | 1,888 |
| 12/31/1997 | 7,126 | 82 | 7,044 | 3,072 | 29 | 4,023 | 3,971 | 2 | 1,986 |
| 12/31/1998 | 7,056 | 69 | 6,987 | 3,246 | 33 | 3,775 | 2,685 | 2 | 1,343 |
| 12/31/1999 | 6,996 | 66 | 6,930 | 3,189 | 21 | 3,784 | 2,732 | 2 | 1,366 |
| 12/31/2000 | 6,861 | 73 | 6,788 | 3,148 | 23 | 3,687 | 2,653 | 2 | 1,327 |
| 12/31/2001 | 8,887 | 125 | 8,762 | 4,427 | 51 | 4,407 | 3,499 | 2 | 1,749 |
| 12/31/2002 | 9,488 | 104 | 9,384 | 4,926 | 58 | 4,504 | 3,736 | 2 | 1,868 |
| 12/31/2003 | 10,609 | 137 | 10,472 | 5,571 | 112 | 4,922 | 4,819 | 2 | 2,410 |
| 12/31/2004 | 10,122 | 87 | 10,035 | 5,757 | 50 | 4,314 | 4,036 | 2 | 2,018 |
| 12/31/2005 | 12,880 | 83 | 12,797 | 8,871 | 36 | 3,972 | 4,343 | 2 | 2,172 |
| 12/31/2006 | 5,305 | 112 | 5,193 | 2,724 | 35 | 2,545 | 2,639 | 2 | 1,320 |
| 3/31/2007 | 5,573 | 128 | 5,445 | 2,903 | 33 | 2,636 | 2,571 | 2 | 1,285 |
| 6/30/2007 | 5,720 | 149 | 5,571 | 3,104 | 40 | 2,575 | 2,587 | 2 | 1,294 |
| 9/30/2007 | 5,810 | 166 | 5,644 | 3,162 | 47 | 2,601 | 2,576 | 2 | 1,288 |
| 12/31/2007 | 5,778 | 187 | 5,591 | 3,188 | 48 | 2,542 | 2,427 | 2 | 1,213 |
| 3/31/2008 | 5,834 | 197 | 5,637 | 3,336 | 48 | 2,450 | 2,603 | 2 | 1,301 |
| 6/30/2008 | 6,088 | 210 | 5,878 | 3,546 | 49 | 2,493 | 2,532 | 2 | 1,266 |
| 9/30/2008 | 6,386 | 247 | 6,139 | 3,841 | 52 | 2,491 | 2,677 | 2 | 1,339 |
| 12/31/2008 | 6,662 | 259 | 6,403 | 4,093 | 46 | 2,520 | 2,771 | 2 | 1,385 |
| 3/31/2009 | 7,140 | 285 | 6,855 | 4,484 | 53 | 2,599 | 3,024 | 2 | 1,512 |

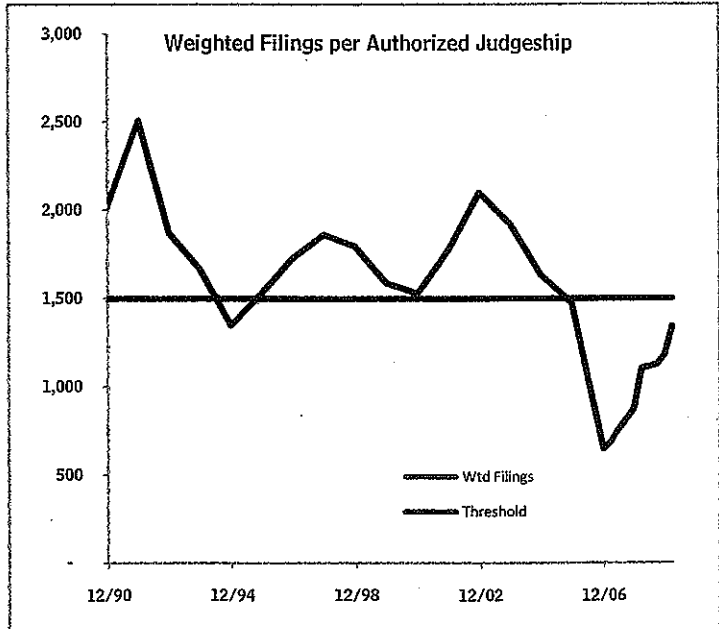
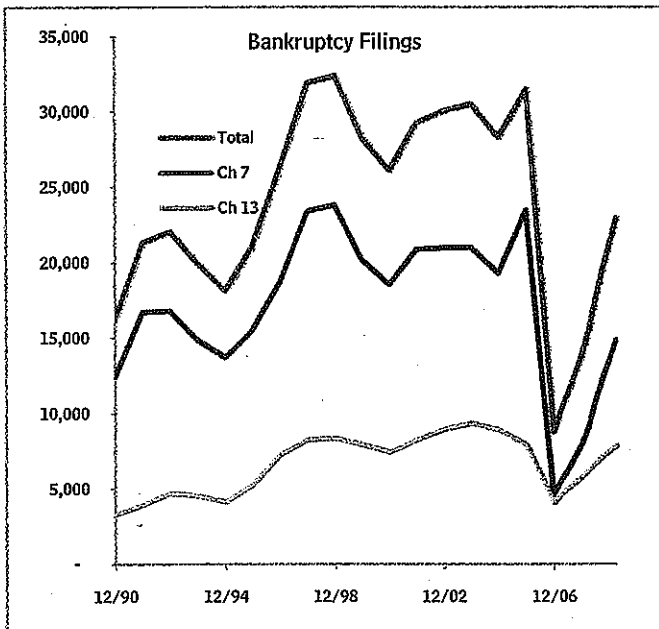


Eastern District of Virginia

| Authorized Judgeships | |
|-----------------------|---|
| Permanent: | 5 |
| Temporary: | 1 |
| Total Authorized: | 6 |

| Judgeship Recommendation(s) | |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Additional Judgeships: | - |
| Conversions: | 1 |
| Extensions: | - |

| 12 Months Ended | Total | Business | Non-business | Ch 7 | Ch 11 | Ch 13 | Weighted Filings | Authorized Judgeships | Weighted Filings per Judgeship |
|-----------------|--------|----------|--------------|--------|-------|-------|------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| 12/31/1990 | 16,219 | 2,332 | 13,887 | 12,434 | 487 | 3,296 | 8,089 | 4 | 2,022 |
| 12/31/1991 | 21,319 | 2,508 | 18,811 | 16,722 | 632 | 3,957 | 10,034 | 4 | 2,509 |
| 12/31/1992 | 22,062 | 1,442 | 20,620 | 16,787 | 536 | 4,732 | 9,352 | 5 | 1,870 |
| 12/31/1993 | 19,936 | 1,322 | 18,614 | 14,877 | 507 | 4,548 | 8,318 | 5 | 1,664 |
| 12/31/1994 | 18,130 | 818 | 17,312 | 13,698 | 281 | 4,143 | 6,735 | 5 | 1,347 |
| 12/31/1995 | 21,120 | 792 | 20,328 | 15,510 | 316 | 5,287 | 7,655 | 5 | 1,531 |
| 12/31/1996 | 26,306 | 785 | 25,521 | 18,736 | 291 | 7,271 | 8,651 | 5 | 1,730 |
| 12/31/1997 | 31,921 | 767 | 31,154 | 23,417 | 235 | 8,266 | 9,306 | 5 | 1,861 |
| 12/31/1998 | 32,398 | 545 | 31,853 | 23,824 | 204 | 8,367 | 8,969 | 5 | 1,794 |
| 12/31/1999 | 28,262 | 369 | 27,893 | 20,181 | 148 | 7,922 | 7,929 | 5 | 1,586 |
| 12/31/2000 | 26,131 | 296 | 25,835 | 18,543 | 148 | 7,433 | 7,633 | 5 | 1,527 |
| 12/31/2001 | 29,271 | 311 | 28,960 | 20,866 | 174 | 8,231 | 8,860 | 5 | 1,772 |
| 12/31/2002 | 30,092 | 399 | 29,693 | 20,993 | 164 | 8,934 | 10,501 | 5 | 2,100 |
| 12/31/2003 | 30,528 | 406 | 30,122 | 21,018 | 160 | 9,348 | 9,614 | 5 | 1,923 |
| 12/31/2004 | 28,319 | 318 | 28,001 | 19,313 | 109 | 8,897 | 8,156 | 5 | 1,631 |
| 12/31/2005 | 31,505 | 313 | 31,192 | 23,492 | 89 | 7,920 | 8,830 | 6 | 1,472 |
| 12/31/2006 | 8,773 | 217 | 8,556 | 4,597 | 72 | 4,103 | 3,881 | 6 | 647 |
| 3/31/2007 | 10,215 | 267 | 9,948 | 5,496 | 74 | 4,642 | 4,108 | 6 | 685 |
| 6/30/2007 | 11,359 | 311 | 11,048 | 6,232 | 76 | 5,048 | 4,539 | 6 | 756 |
| 9/30/2007 | 12,528 | 363 | 12,165 | 7,026 | 84 | 5,416 | 4,895 | 6 | 816 |
| 12/31/2007 | 13,848 | 416 | 13,432 | 7,927 | 101 | 5,816 | 5,246 | 6 | 874 |
| 3/31/2008 | 15,419 | 498 | 14,921 | 9,049 | 118 | 6,250 | 6,614 | 6 | 1,102 |
| 6/30/2008 | 17,551 | 603 | 16,948 | 10,709 | 133 | 6,707 | 6,679 | 6 | 1,113 |
| 9/30/2008 | 19,529 | 698 | 18,831 | 12,247 | 140 | 7,140 | 6,759 | 6 | 1,126 |
| 12/31/2008 | 21,242 | 783 | 20,459 | 13,554 | 188 | 7,499 | 7,090 | 6 | 1,182 |
| 3/31/2009 | 22,953 | 865 | 22,088 | 14,856 | 226 | 7,870 | 8,041 | 6 | 1,340 |

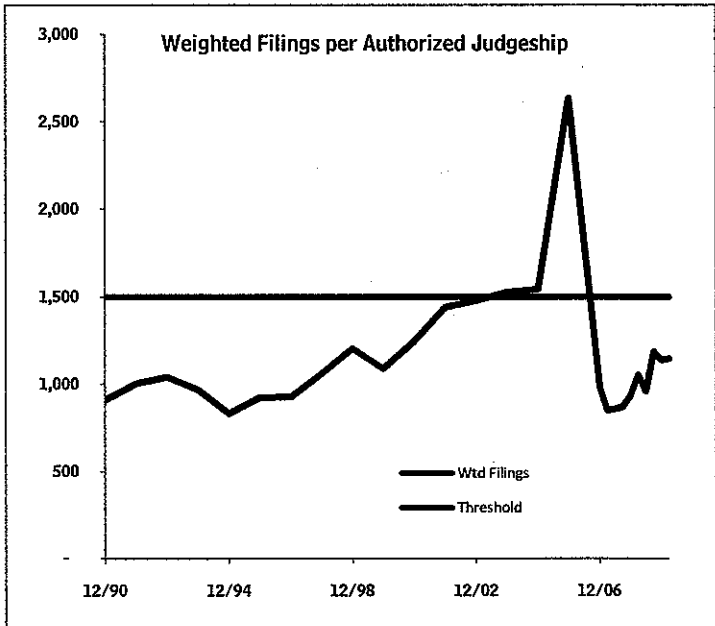
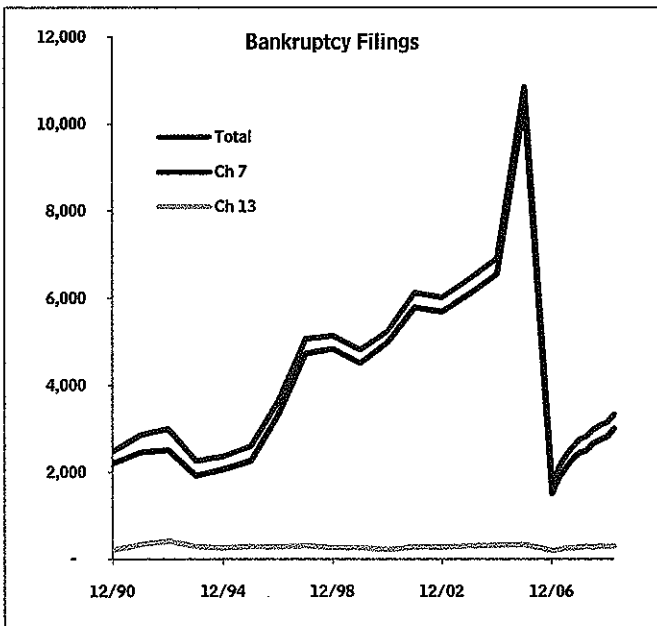


Southern District of West Virginia

| Authorized Judgeships | |
|-----------------------|---|
| Permanent: | 1 |
| Temporary: | - |
| Total Authorized: | 1 |

| Judgeship Recommendation(s) | |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Additional Judgeships: | 1 |
| Conversions: | - |
| Extensions: | - |

| 12 Months Ended | Total | Business | Non-business | Ch 7 | Ch 11 | Ch 13 | Weighted Filings | Authorized Judgeships | Weighted Filings per Judgeship |
|-----------------|--------|----------|--------------|--------|-------|-------|------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| 12/31/1990 | 2,487 | 240 | 2,247 | 2,211 | 60 | 215 | 909 | 1 | 909 |
| 12/31/1991 | 2,862 | 251 | 2,611 | 2,465 | 51 | 343 | 1,003 | 1 | 1,003 |
| 12/31/1992 | 2,998 | 278 | 2,720 | 2,515 | 64 | 419 | 1,039 | 1 | 1,039 |
| 12/31/1993 | 2,263 | 171 | 2,092 | 1,926 | 42 | 294 | 966 | 1 | 966 |
| 12/31/1994 | 2,368 | 171 | 2,197 | 2,076 | 33 | 259 | 832 | 1 | 832 |
| 12/31/1995 | 2,605 | 168 | 2,437 | 2,276 | 34 | 294 | 925 | 1 | 925 |
| 12/31/1996 | 3,632 | 167 | 3,465 | 3,321 | 24 | 287 | 926 | 1 | 926 |
| 12/31/1997 | 5,067 | 188 | 4,879 | 4,730 | 28 | 309 | 1,061 | 1 | 1,061 |
| 12/31/1998 | 5,141 | 150 | 4,991 | 4,835 | 37 | 269 | 1,203 | 1 | 1,203 |
| 12/31/1999 | 4,812 | 138 | 4,674 | 4,512 | 35 | 265 | 1,088 | 1 | 1,088 |
| 12/31/2000 | 5,242 | 156 | 5,086 | 4,990 | 27 | 225 | 1,244 | 1 | 1,244 |
| 12/31/2001 | 6,122 | 189 | 5,933 | 5,793 | 37 | 292 | 1,438 | 1 | 1,438 |
| 12/31/2002 | 6,020 | 226 | 5,794 | 5,687 | 49 | 284 | 1,477 | 1 | 1,477 |
| 12/31/2003 | 6,447 | 189 | 6,258 | 6,100 | 31 | 315 | 1,525 | 1 | 1,525 |
| 12/31/2004 | 6,913 | 87 | 6,826 | 6,558 | 29 | 326 | 1,541 | 1 | 1,541 |
| 12/31/2005 | 10,855 | 85 | 10,770 | 10,482 | 32 | 338 | 2,633 | 1 | 2,633 |
| 12/31/2006 | 1,736 | 45 | 1,691 | 1,514 | 19 | 201 | 983 | 1 | 983 |
| 3/31/2007 | 2,110 | 46 | 2,064 | 1,869 | 16 | 224 | 849 | 1 | 849 |
| 6/30/2007 | 2,382 | 48 | 2,334 | 2,102 | 18 | 261 | 856 | 1 | 856 |
| 9/30/2007 | 2,584 | 55 | 2,529 | 2,307 | 18 | 258 | 868 | 1 | 868 |
| 12/31/2007 | 2,755 | 66 | 2,689 | 2,448 | 24 | 283 | 932 | 1 | 932 |
| 3/31/2008 | 2,816 | 64 | 2,752 | 2,498 | 24 | 294 | 1,052 | 1 | 1,052 |
| 6/30/2008 | 2,976 | 79 | 2,897 | 2,668 | 23 | 285 | 958 | 1 | 958 |
| 9/30/2008 | 3,083 | 87 | 2,996 | 2,753 | 26 | 304 | 1,184 | 1 | 1,184 |
| 12/31/2008 | 3,144 | 85 | 3,059 | 2,821 | 23 | 300 | 1,137 | 1 | 1,137 |
| 3/31/2009 | 3,333 | 82 | 3,251 | 3,007 | 22 | 304 | 1,145 | 1 | 1,145 |

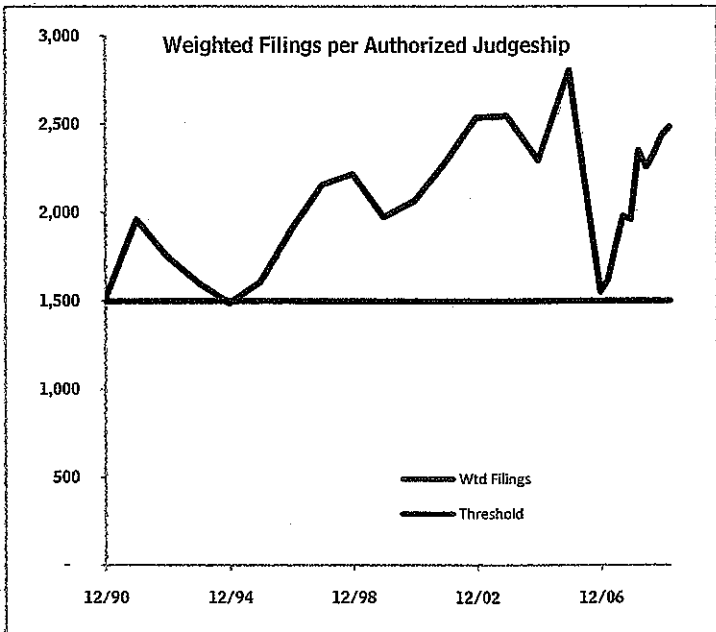
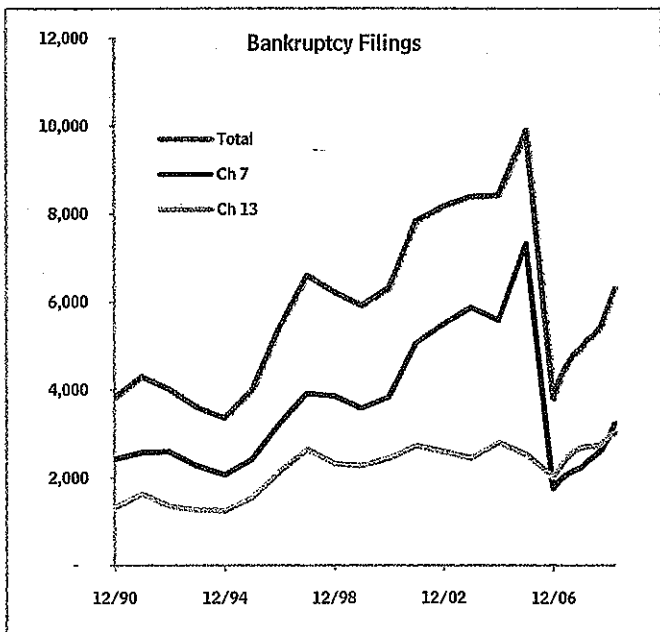


Northern District of Mississippi

| Authorized Judgeships | |
|-----------------------|---|
| Permanent: | 1 |
| Temporary: | - |
| Total Authorized: | 1 |

| Judgeship Recommendation(s) | |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Additional Judgeships: | 1 |
| Conversions: | - |
| Extensions: | - |

| 12 Months Ended | Total | Business | Non-business | Ch 7 | Ch 11 | Ch 13 | Weighted Filings | Authorized Judgeships | Weighted Filings per Judgeship |
|-----------------|-------|----------|--------------|-------|-------|-------|------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| 12/31/1990 | 3,824 | 185 | 3,639 | 2,431 | 46 | 1,325 | 1,507 | 1 | 1,507 |
| 12/31/1991 | 4,299 | 223 | 4,076 | 2,579 | 60 | 1,632 | 1,960 | 1 | 1,960 |
| 12/31/1992 | 4,015 | 180 | 3,835 | 2,599 | 46 | 1,353 | 1,749 | 1 | 1,749 |
| 12/31/1993 | 3,603 | 161 | 3,442 | 2,273 | 37 | 1,265 | 1,603 | 1 | 1,603 |
| 12/31/1994 | 3,355 | 113 | 3,242 | 2,063 | 33 | 1,250 | 1,486 | 1 | 1,486 |
| 12/31/1995 | 4,002 | 131 | 3,871 | 2,419 | 26 | 1,552 | 1,607 | 1 | 1,607 |
| 12/31/1996 | 5,426 | 136 | 5,290 | 3,235 | 25 | 2,146 | 1,905 | 1 | 1,905 |
| 12/31/1997 | 6,602 | 153 | 6,449 | 3,915 | 28 | 2,646 | 2,159 | 1 | 2,159 |
| 12/31/1998 | 6,226 | 135 | 6,091 | 3,859 | 32 | 2,320 | 2,218 | 1 | 2,218 |
| 12/31/1999 | 5,917 | 133 | 5,784 | 3,589 | 27 | 2,277 | 1,974 | 1 | 1,974 |
| 12/31/2000 | 6,314 | 99 | 6,215 | 3,834 | 22 | 2,453 | 2,066 | 1 | 2,066 |
| 12/31/2001 | 7,841 | 96 | 7,745 | 5,071 | 30 | 2,737 | 2,284 | 1 | 2,284 |
| 12/31/2002 | 8,169 | 131 | 8,038 | 5,501 | 45 | 2,606 | 2,538 | 1 | 2,538 |
| 12/31/2003 | 8,391 | 127 | 8,264 | 5,878 | 36 | 2,460 | 2,548 | 1 | 2,548 |
| 12/31/2004 | 8,420 | 63 | 8,357 | 5,582 | 26 | 2,811 | 2,295 | 1 | 2,295 |
| 12/31/2005 | 9,897 | 87 | 9,810 | 7,326 | 32 | 2,529 | 2,806 | 1 | 2,806 |
| 12/31/2006 | 3,814 | 97 | 3,717 | 1,765 | 18 | 2,025 | 1,551 | 1 | 1,551 |
| 3/31/2007 | 4,248 | 110 | 4,138 | 1,958 | 17 | 2,269 | 1,620 | 1 | 1,620 |
| 6/30/2007 | 4,578 | 121 | 4,457 | 2,080 | 16 | 2,478 | 1,807 | 1 | 1,807 |
| 9/30/2007 | 4,807 | 123 | 4,684 | 2,167 | 15 | 2,620 | 1,978 | 1 | 1,978 |
| 12/31/2007 | 4,937 | 132 | 4,805 | 2,226 | 23 | 2,684 | 1,961 | 1 | 1,961 |
| 3/31/2008 | 5,143 | 141 | 5,002 | 2,386 | 31 | 2,723 | 2,351 | 1 | 2,351 |
| 6/30/2008 | 5,253 | 150 | 5,103 | 2,490 | 40 | 2,722 | 2,257 | 1 | 2,257 |
| 9/30/2008 | 5,467 | 159 | 5,308 | 2,643 | 48 | 2,775 | 2,335 | 1 | 2,335 |
| 12/31/2008 | 5,890 | 179 | 5,711 | 2,907 | 44 | 2,938 | 2,437 | 1 | 2,437 |
| 3/31/2009 | 6,305 | 197 | 6,108 | 3,236 | 42 | 3,025 | 2,484 | 1 | 2,484 |

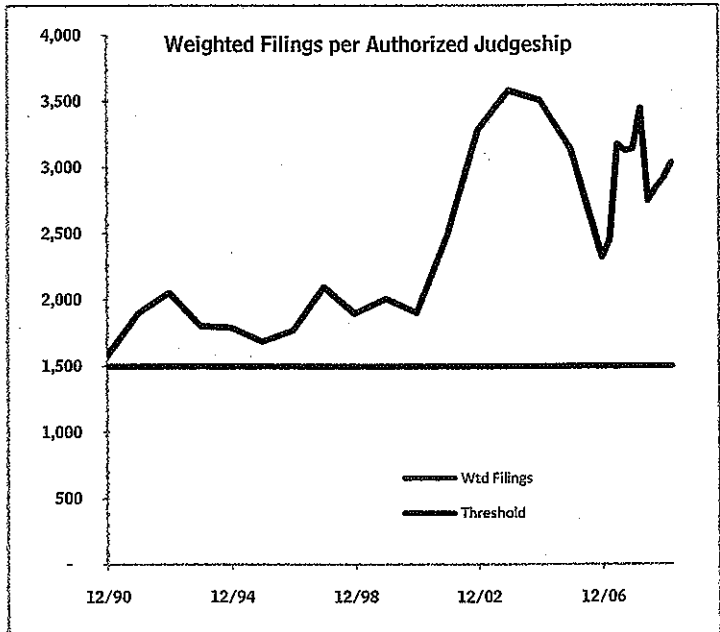
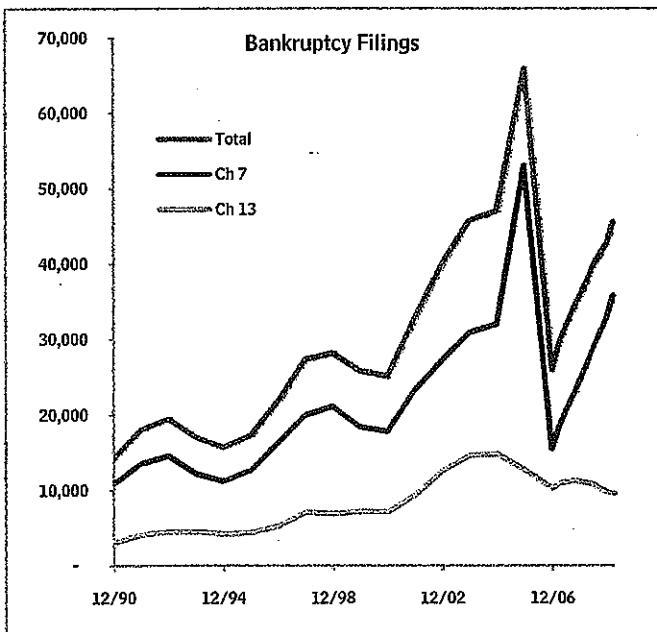


Eastern District of Michigan

| Authorized Judgeships | |
|-----------------------|---|
| Permanent: | 4 |
| Temporary: | 1 |
| Total Authorized: | 5 |

| Judgeship Recommendation(s) | |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Additional Judgeships: | 3 |
| Conversions: | - |
| Extensions: | - |

| 12 Months Ended | Total | Business | Non-business | Ch 7 | Ch 11 | Ch 13 | Weighted Filings | Authorized Judgeships | Weighted Filings per Judgeship |
|-----------------|--------|----------|--------------|--------|-------|--------|------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| 12/31/1990 | 14,272 | 830 | 13,442 | 10,906 | 303 | 3,042 | 6,300 | 4 | 1,575 |
| 12/31/1991 | 18,041 | 944 | 17,097 | 13,568 | 367 | 4,081 | 7,595 | 4 | 1,899 |
| 12/31/1992 | 19,481 | 1,128 | 18,353 | 14,600 | 343 | 4,509 | 8,212 | 4 | 2,053 |
| 12/31/1993 | 17,021 | 767 | 16,254 | 12,237 | 247 | 4,524 | 7,207 | 4 | 1,802 |
| 12/31/1994 | 15,707 | 623 | 15,084 | 11,226 | 237 | 4,229 | 7,152 | 4 | 1,788 |
| 12/31/1995 | 17,290 | 545 | 16,745 | 12,648 | 224 | 4,402 | 6,739 | 4 | 1,685 |
| 12/31/1996 | 21,871 | 591 | 21,280 | 16,362 | 213 | 5,281 | 7,076 | 4 | 1,769 |
| 12/31/1997 | 27,348 | 595 | 26,753 | 19,992 | 223 | 7,123 | 8,387 | 4 | 2,097 |
| 12/31/1998 | 28,198 | 373 | 27,825 | 21,123 | 133 | 6,934 | 7,589 | 4 | 1,897 |
| 12/31/1999 | 25,824 | 359 | 25,465 | 18,443 | 147 | 7,225 | 8,023 | 4 | 2,006 |
| 12/31/2000 | 25,122 | 333 | 24,789 | 17,832 | 128 | 7,157 | 7,606 | 4 | 1,902 |
| 12/31/2001 | 32,785 | 401 | 32,384 | 23,223 | 172 | 9,390 | 9,941 | 4 | 2,485 |
| 12/31/2002 | 39,968 | 481 | 39,487 | 27,177 | 188 | 12,600 | 13,124 | 4 | 3,281 |
| 12/31/2003 | 45,755 | 390 | 45,365 | 30,894 | 175 | 14,677 | 14,320 | 4 | 3,580 |
| 12/31/2004 | 47,038 | 446 | 46,592 | 32,041 | 198 | 14,796 | 14,024 | 4 | 3,506 |
| 12/31/2005 | 65,909 | 648 | 65,261 | 53,072 | 202 | 12,628 | 15,677 | 5 | 3,135 |
| 12/31/2006 | 25,962 | 510 | 25,452 | 15,547 | 137 | 10,267 | 11,584 | 5 | 2,317 |
| 3/31/2007 | 29,392 | 628 | 28,764 | 18,295 | 151 | 10,931 | 12,251 | 5 | 2,450 |
| 6/30/2007 | 31,744 | 677 | 31,067 | 20,457 | 151 | 11,123 | 15,845 | 5 | 3,169 |
| 9/30/2007 | 33,799 | 739 | 33,060 | 22,301 | 140 | 11,346 | 15,611 | 5 | 3,122 |
| 12/31/2007 | 35,690 | 790 | 34,900 | 24,338 | 134 | 11,205 | 15,688 | 5 | 3,138 |
| 3/31/2008 | 37,511 | 846 | 36,665 | 26,361 | 138 | 11,000 | 17,217 | 5 | 3,443 |
| 6/30/2008 | 39,676 | 945 | 38,731 | 28,716 | 146 | 10,802 | 13,726 | 5 | 2,745 |
| 9/30/2008 | 41,227 | 1,081 | 40,146 | 30,778 | 177 | 10,262 | 14,216 | 5 | 2,843 |
| 12/31/2008 | 42,720 | 1,166 | 41,554 | 32,763 | 181 | 9,764 | 14,583 | 5 | 2,917 |
| 3/31/2009 | 45,610 | 1,228 | 44,382 | 35,806 | 183 | 9,610 | 15,159 | 5 | 3,032 |

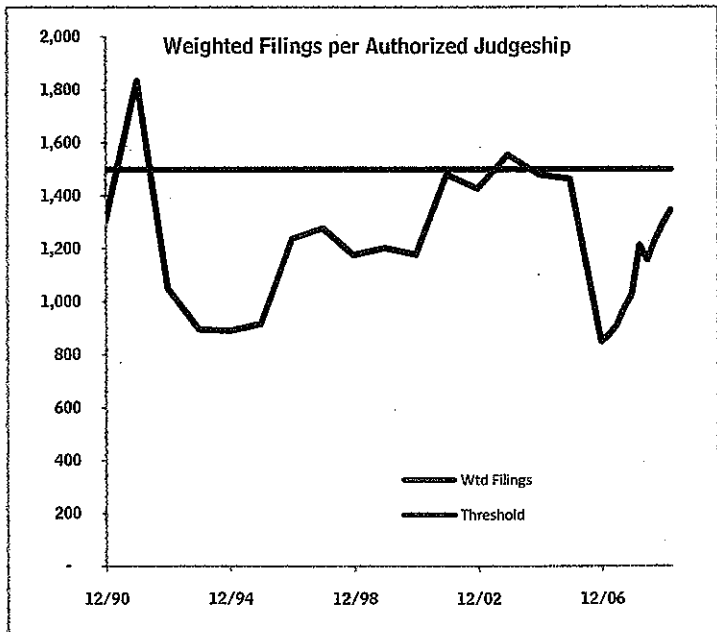
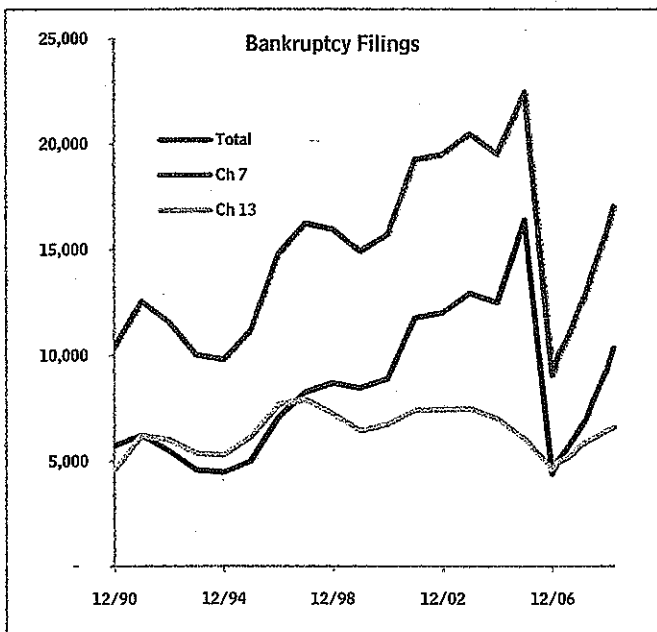


Eastern District of Tennessee

| Authorized Judgeships | |
|-----------------------|---|
| Permanent: | 3 |
| Temporary: | 1 |
| Total Authorized: | 4 |

| Judgeship Recommendation(s) | |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Additional Judgeships: | - |
| Conversions: | 1 |
| Extensions: | - |

| 12 Months Ended | Total | Business | Non-business | Ch 7 | Ch 11 | Ch 13 | Weighted Filings | Authorized Judgeships | Weighted Filings per Judgeship |
|-----------------|--------|----------|--------------|--------|-------|-------|------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| 12/31/1990 | 10,396 | 260 | 10,136 | 5,729 | 73 | 4,585 | 3,927 | 3 | 1,309 |
| 12/31/1991 | 12,559 | 325 | 12,234 | 6,234 | 93 | 6,214 | 5,502 | 3 | 1,834 |
| 12/31/1992 | 11,591 | 595 | 10,996 | 5,497 | 70 | 6,006 | 4,203 | 4 | 1,051 |
| 12/31/1993 | 10,026 | 416 | 9,610 | 4,586 | 58 | 5,369 | 3,583 | 4 | 896 |
| 12/31/1994 | 9,813 | 343 | 9,470 | 4,475 | 44 | 5,284 | 3,564 | 4 | 891 |
| 12/31/1995 | 11,199 | 343 | 10,856 | 4,996 | 39 | 6,155 | 3,668 | 4 | 917 |
| 12/31/1996 | 14,798 | 384 | 14,414 | 7,060 | 51 | 7,676 | 4,947 | 4 | 1,237 |
| 12/31/1997 | 16,254 | 422 | 15,832 | 8,268 | 53 | 7,926 | 5,111 | 4 | 1,278 |
| 12/31/1998 | 15,984 | 336 | 15,648 | 8,696 | 44 | 7,235 | 4,703 | 4 | 1,176 |
| 12/31/1999 | 14,944 | 236 | 14,708 | 8,447 | 58 | 6,436 | 4,808 | 4 | 1,202 |
| 12/31/2000 | 15,703 | 239 | 15,464 | 8,900 | 48 | 6,753 | 4,708 | 4 | 1,177 |
| 12/31/2001 | 19,272 | 379 | 18,893 | 11,774 | 76 | 7,420 | 5,919 | 4 | 1,480 |
| 12/31/2002 | 19,524 | 277 | 19,247 | 12,024 | 62 | 7,433 | 5,705 | 4 | 1,426 |
| 12/31/2003 | 20,495 | 247 | 20,248 | 12,936 | 66 | 7,488 | 6,217 | 4 | 1,554 |
| 12/31/2004 | 19,537 | 249 | 19,288 | 12,487 | 63 | 6,985 | 5,917 | 4 | 1,479 |
| 12/31/2005 | 22,471 | 184 | 22,287 | 16,415 | 45 | 6,009 | 5,850 | 4 | 1,462 |
| 12/31/2006 | 9,063 | 124 | 8,939 | 4,405 | 29 | 4,621 | 3,394 | 4 | 848 |
| 3/31/2007 | 10,091 | 149 | 9,942 | 5,099 | 28 | 4,958 | 3,497 | 4 | 874 |
| 6/30/2007 | 10,695 | 168 | 10,527 | 5,527 | 29 | 5,134 | 3,644 | 4 | 911 |
| 9/30/2007 | 11,377 | 200 | 11,177 | 5,996 | 34 | 5,344 | 3,904 | 4 | 976 |
| 12/31/2007 | 12,261 | 200 | 12,061 | 6,513 | 32 | 5,713 | 4,116 | 4 | 1,029 |
| 3/31/2008 | 12,973 | 219 | 12,754 | 6,998 | 42 | 5,928 | 4,854 | 4 | 1,213 |
| 6/30/2008 | 13,987 | 233 | 13,754 | 7,851 | 43 | 6,086 | 4,629 | 4 | 1,157 |
| 9/30/2008 | 14,923 | 261 | 14,662 | 8,609 | 47 | 6,260 | 4,934 | 4 | 1,233 |
| 12/31/2008 | 15,847 | 302 | 15,545 | 9,332 | 48 | 6,460 | 5,180 | 4 | 1,295 |
| 3/31/2009 | 17,046 | 335 | 16,711 | 10,365 | 48 | 6,625 | 5,377 | 4 | 1,344 |

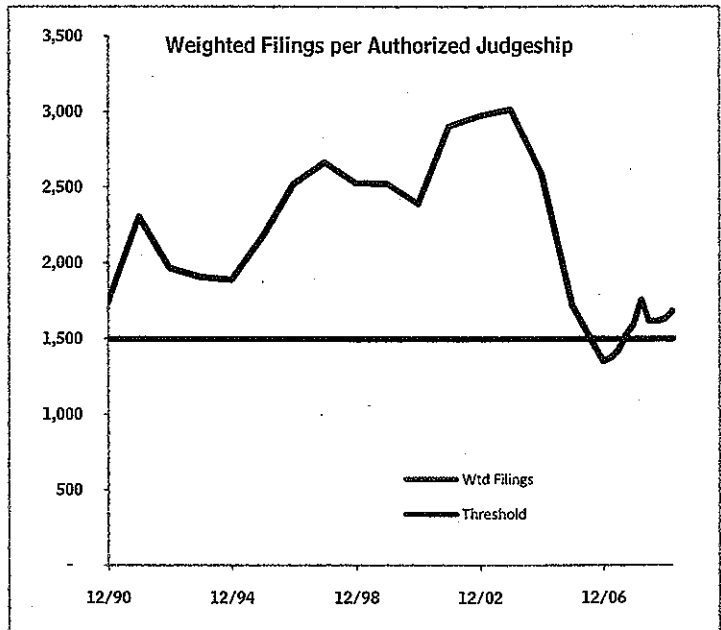
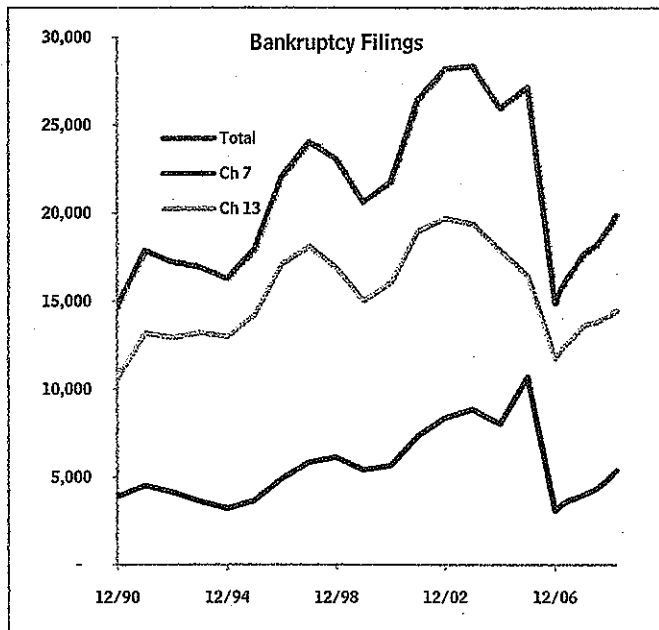


Western District of Tennessee

| Authorized Judgeships | |
|-----------------------|---|
| Permanent: | 4 |
| Temporary: | 1 |
| Total Authorized: | 5 |

| Judgeship Recommendation(s) | |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Additional Judgeships: | - |
| Conversions: | 1 |
| Extensions: | - |

| 12 Months Ended | Total | Business | Non-business | Ch 7 | Ch 11 | Ch 13 | Weighted Filings | Authorized Judgeships | Weighted Filings per Judgeship |
|-----------------|--------|----------|--------------|--------|-------|--------|------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| 12/31/1990 | 14,689 | 207 | 14,482 | 3,904 | 159 | 10,621 | 5,226 | 3 | 1,742 |
| 12/31/1991 | 17,892 | 300 | 17,592 | 4,533 | 176 | 13,175 | 6,917 | 3 | 2,306 |
| 12/31/1992 | 17,226 | 380 | 16,846 | 4,154 | 148 | 12,920 | 7,868 | 4 | 1,967 |
| 12/31/1993 | 16,938 | 306 | 16,632 | 3,632 | 105 | 13,198 | 7,632 | 4 | 1,908 |
| 12/31/1994 | 16,269 | 244 | 16,025 | 3,225 | 71 | 12,970 | 7,560 | 4 | 1,890 |
| 12/31/1995 | 17,965 | 236 | 17,729 | 3,655 | 89 | 14,218 | 8,695 | 4 | 2,174 |
| 12/31/1996 | 22,081 | 223 | 21,858 | 4,903 | 75 | 17,101 | 10,094 | 4 | 2,523 |
| 12/31/1997 | 24,052 | 187 | 23,865 | 5,852 | 73 | 18,122 | 10,661 | 4 | 2,665 |
| 12/31/1998 | 23,081 | 241 | 22,840 | 6,135 | 55 | 16,888 | 10,114 | 4 | 2,529 |
| 12/31/1999 | 20,613 | 315 | 20,298 | 5,430 | 191 | 14,990 | 10,107 | 4 | 2,527 |
| 12/31/2000 | 21,794 | 148 | 21,646 | 5,672 | 82 | 16,039 | 9,566 | 4 | 2,392 |
| 12/31/2001 | 26,469 | 270 | 26,199 | 7,342 | 158 | 18,968 | 11,616 | 4 | 2,904 |
| 12/31/2002 | 28,207 | 207 | 28,000 | 8,385 | 121 | 19,700 | 11,901 | 4 | 2,975 |
| 12/31/2003 | 28,351 | 149 | 28,202 | 8,861 | 107 | 19,383 | 12,068 | 4 | 3,017 |
| 12/31/2004 | 25,967 | 132 | 25,835 | 8,036 | 64 | 17,867 | 10,399 | 4 | 2,600 |
| 12/31/2005 | 27,190 | 179 | 27,011 | 10,718 | 58 | 16,414 | 8,609 | 5 | 1,722 |
| 12/31/2006 | 14,877 | 121 | 14,756 | 3,111 | 48 | 11,718 | 6,747 | 5 | 1,349 |
| 3/31/2007 | 15,783 | 137 | 15,646 | 3,462 | 45 | 12,276 | 6,883 | 5 | 1,377 |
| 6/30/2007 | 16,428 | 138 | 16,290 | 3,694 | 36 | 12,698 | 7,122 | 5 | 1,424 |
| 9/30/2007 | 16,926 | 157 | 16,769 | 3,812 | 38 | 13,075 | 7,639 | 5 | 1,528 |
| 12/31/2007 | 17,574 | 157 | 17,417 | 3,966 | 39 | 13,568 | 8,000 | 5 | 1,600 |
| 3/31/2008 | 17,936 | 158 | 17,778 | 4,159 | 36 | 13,740 | 8,783 | 5 | 1,757 |
| 6/30/2008 | 18,130 | 168 | 17,962 | 4,324 | 42 | 13,763 | 8,086 | 5 | 1,617 |
| 9/30/2008 | 18,708 | 174 | 18,534 | 4,642 | 41 | 14,025 | 8,081 | 5 | 1,616 |
| 12/31/2008 | 19,216 | 192 | 19,024 | 4,982 | 45 | 14,189 | 8,157 | 5 | 1,631 |
| 3/31/2009 | 19,878 | 201 | 19,677 | 5,382 | 55 | 14,441 | 8,414 | 5 | 1,683 |

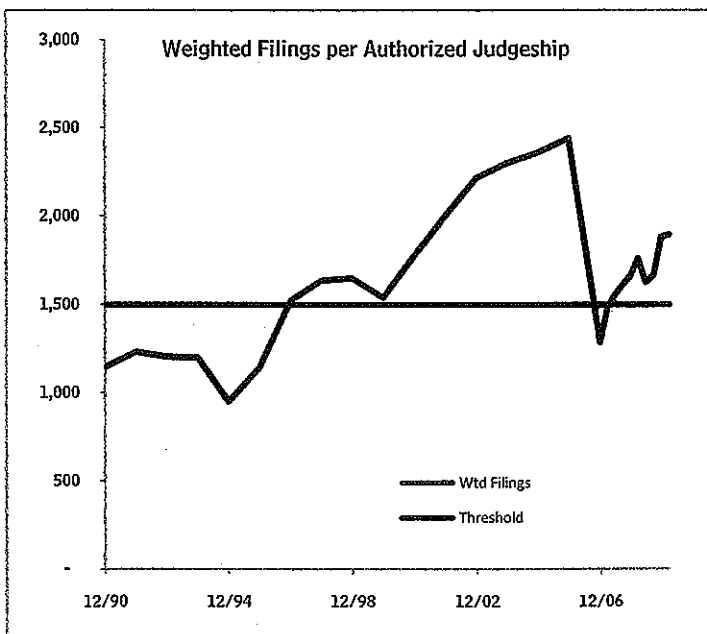
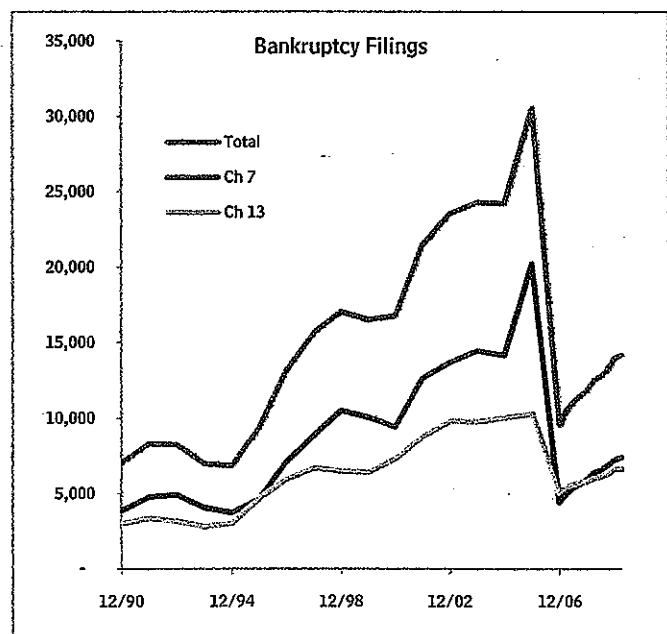


Eastern and Western Districts of Arkansas

| Authorized Judgeships | |
|-----------------------|---|
| Permanent: | 3 |
| Temporary: | - |
| Total Authorized: | 3 |

| Judgeship Recommendation(s) | |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Additional Judgeships: | 1 |
| Conversions: | - |
| Extensions: | - |

| 12 Months Ended | Total | Business | Non-business | Ch 7 | Ch 11 | Ch 13 | Weighted Filings | Authorized Judgeships | Weighted Filings per Judgeship |
|-----------------|--------|----------|--------------|--------|-------|--------|------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| 12/31/1990 | 7,062 | 467 | 6,595 | 3,878 | 145 | 3,013 | 3,432 | 3 | 1,144 |
| 12/31/1991 | 8,315 | 497 | 7,818 | 4,793 | 106 | 3,375 | 3,696 | 3 | 1,232 |
| 12/31/1992 | 8,253 | 577 | 7,676 | 4,948 | 90 | 3,175 | 3,616 | 3 | 1,205 |
| 12/31/1993 | 7,000 | 444 | 6,556 | 4,084 | 61 | 2,827 | 3,596 | 3 | 1,199 |
| 12/31/1994 | 6,840 | 373 | 6,467 | 3,733 | 46 | 3,036 | 2,851 | 3 | 950 |
| 12/31/1995 | 9,378 | 422 | 8,956 | 4,627 | 54 | 4,677 | 3,427 | 3 | 1,142 |
| 12/31/1996 | 13,194 | 486 | 12,708 | 7,129 | 80 | 5,964 | 4,559 | 3 | 1,520 |
| 12/31/1997 | 15,643 | 539 | 15,104 | 8,853 | 52 | 6,722 | 4,904 | 3 | 1,635 |
| 12/31/1998 | 17,052 | 408 | 16,644 | 10,516 | 44 | 6,475 | 4,948 | 3 | 1,649 |
| 12/31/1999 | 16,533 | 295 | 16,238 | 10,082 | 36 | 6,408 | 4,613 | 3 | 1,538 |
| 12/31/2000 | 16,784 | 261 | 16,523 | 9,410 | 35 | 7,331 | 5,333 | 3 | 1,778 |
| 12/31/2001 | 21,484 | 290 | 21,194 | 12,641 | 36 | 8,801 | 6,002 | 3 | 2,001 |
| 12/31/2002 | 23,546 | 282 | 23,264 | 13,691 | 43 | 9,806 | 6,651 | 3 | 2,217 |
| 12/31/2003 | 24,307 | 429 | 23,878 | 14,472 | 52 | 9,771 | 6,902 | 3 | 2,301 |
| 12/31/2004 | 24,263 | 376 | 23,887 | 14,170 | 49 | 10,043 | 7,076 | 3 | 2,359 |
| 12/31/2005 | 30,568 | 426 | 30,142 | 20,227 | 40 | 10,289 | 7,325 | 3 | 2,442 |
| 12/31/2006 | 9,564 | 276 | 9,288 | 4,423 | 27 | 5,092 | 3,854 | 3 | 1,285 |
| 3/31/2007 | 10,534 | 313 | 10,221 | 5,001 | 29 | 5,481 | 4,441 | 3 | 1,480 |
| 6/30/2007 | 11,083 | 335 | 10,748 | 5,410 | 35 | 5,623 | 4,669 | 3 | 1,556 |
| 9/30/2007 | 11,494 | 346 | 11,148 | 5,659 | 44 | 5,779 | 4,832 | 3 | 1,611 |
| 12/31/2007 | 11,852 | 397 | 11,455 | 5,945 | 55 | 5,840 | 4,981 | 3 | 1,660 |
| 3/31/2008 | 12,491 | 412 | 12,079 | 6,405 | 54 | 6,026 | 5,285 | 3 | 1,762 |
| 6/30/2008 | 12,782 | 429 | 12,353 | 6,562 | 53 | 6,158 | 4,879 | 3 | 1,626 |
| 9/30/2008 | 13,241 | 454 | 12,787 | 6,886 | 45 | 6,299 | 4,997 | 3 | 1,666 |
| 12/31/2008 | 13,991 | 497 | 13,494 | 7,250 | 97 | 6,632 | 5,644 | 3 | 1,881 |
| 3/31/2009 | 14,195 | 540 | 13,655 | 7,412 | 110 | 6,659 | 5,684 | 3 | 1,895 |

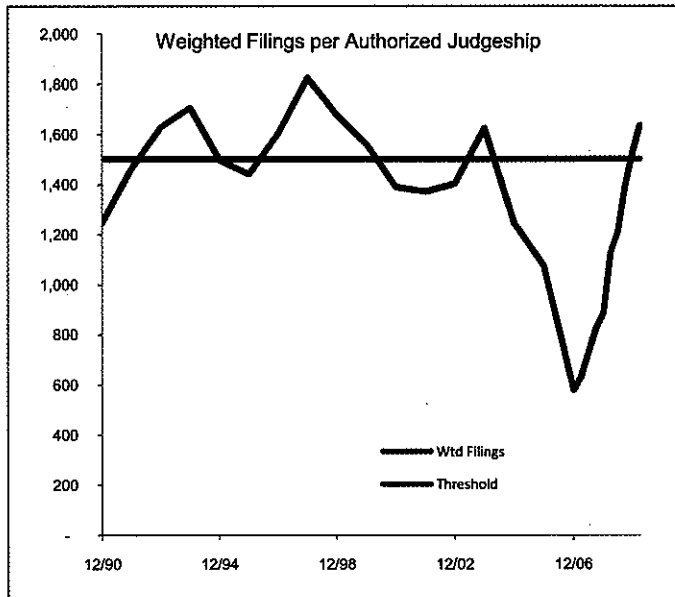
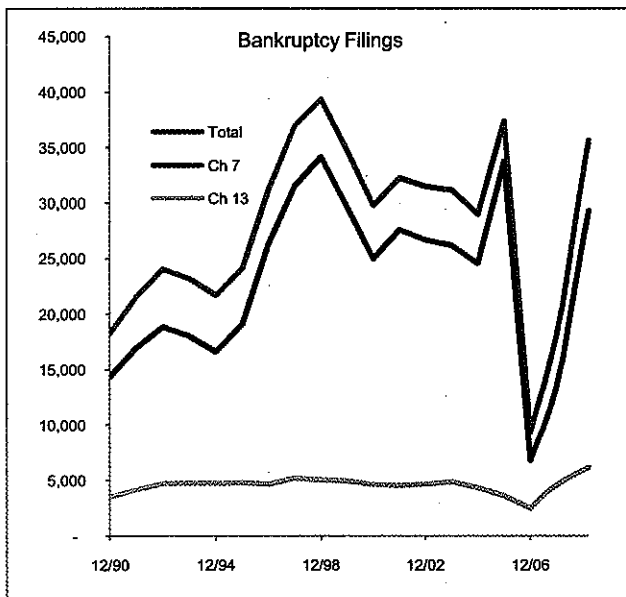


Eastern District of California

| Authorized Judgeships | |
|-----------------------|---|
| Permanent: | 6 |
| Temporary: | 1 |
| Total Authorized: | 7 |

| Judgeship Recommendation(s) | |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Additional Judgeships: | 1 |
| Conversions: | 1 |
| Extensions: | - |

| 12 Months Ended | Total | Business | Non-business | Ch 7 | Ch 11 | Ch 13 | Weighted Filings | Authorized Judgeships | Weighted Filings per Judgeship |
|-----------------|--------|----------|--------------|--------|-------|-------|------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| 12/31/1990 | 18,231 | 1,614 | 16,617 | 14,305 | 391 | 3,503 | 7,480 | 6 | 1,247 |
| 12/31/1991 | 21,559 | 2,026 | 19,533 | 16,914 | 465 | 4,133 | 8,770 | 6 | 1,462 |
| 12/31/1992 | 24,045 | 2,668 | 21,377 | 18,828 | 465 | 4,708 | 9,769 | 6 | 1,628 |
| 12/31/1993 | 23,213 | 2,549 | 20,664 | 17,983 | 399 | 4,780 | 10,234 | 6 | 1,706 |
| 12/31/1994 | 21,692 | 2,395 | 19,297 | 16,603 | 320 | 4,729 | 8,976 | 6 | 1,496 |
| 12/31/1995 | 24,119 | 2,450 | 21,669 | 19,045 | 236 | 4,801 | 8,641 | 6 | 1,440 |
| 12/31/1996 | 31,211 | 2,538 | 28,673 | 26,318 | 186 | 4,662 | 9,618 | 6 | 1,603 |
| 12/31/1997 | 36,976 | 2,624 | 34,352 | 31,552 | 180 | 5,204 | 10,948 | 6 | 1,825 |
| 12/31/1998 | 39,345 | 2,012 | 37,333 | 34,147 | 142 | 5,029 | 10,062 | 6 | 1,677 |
| 12/31/1999 | 34,750 | 1,144 | 33,606 | 29,675 | 92 | 4,959 | 9,359 | 6 | 1,560 |
| 12/31/2000 | 29,756 | 1,139 | 28,617 | 24,989 | 110 | 4,640 | 8,336 | 6 | 1,389 |
| 12/31/2001 | 32,259 | 1,273 | 30,986 | 27,568 | 117 | 4,549 | 8,228 | 6 | 1,371 |
| 12/31/2002 | 31,497 | 1,232 | 30,265 | 26,680 | 117 | 4,665 | 8,415 | 6 | 1,403 |
| 12/31/2003 | 31,166 | 1,111 | 30,055 | 26,177 | 83 | 4,867 | 9,748 | 6 | 1,625 |
| 12/31/2004 | 28,985 | 964 | 28,021 | 24,550 | 94 | 4,336 | 7,468 | 6 | 1,245 |
| 12/31/2005 | 37,402 | 914 | 36,488 | 33,743 | 71 | 3,581 | 7,525 | 7 | 1,075 |
| 12/31/2006 | 9,323 | 408 | 8,915 | 6,779 | 66 | 2,469 | 4,053 | 7 | 579 |
| 3/31/2007 | 11,446 | 514 | 10,932 | 8,297 | 73 | 3,063 | 4,416 | 7 | 631 |
| 6/30/2007 | 13,411 | 573 | 12,838 | 9,694 | 73 | 3,630 | 5,076 | 7 | 725 |
| 9/30/2007 | 15,594 | 691 | 14,903 | 11,328 | 84 | 4,170 | 5,756 | 7 | 822 |
| 12/31/2007 | 18,052 | 786 | 17,266 | 13,364 | 89 | 4,587 | 6,178 | 7 | 883 |
| 3/31/2008 | 20,970 | 865 | 20,105 | 15,900 | 98 | 4,962 | 7,895 | 7 | 1,128 |
| 6/30/2008 | 24,670 | 988 | 23,682 | 19,293 | 120 | 5,249 | 8,472 | 7 | 1,210 |
| 9/30/2008 | 28,613 | 1,075 | 27,538 | 22,860 | 131 | 5,616 | 9,727 | 7 | 1,390 |
| 12/31/2008 | 32,154 | 1,208 | 30,946 | 26,103 | 141 | 5,903 | 10,697 | 7 | 1,528 |
| 3/31/2009 | 35,622 | 1,322 | 34,300 | 29,278 | 160 | 6,177 | 11,447 | 7 | 1,635 |

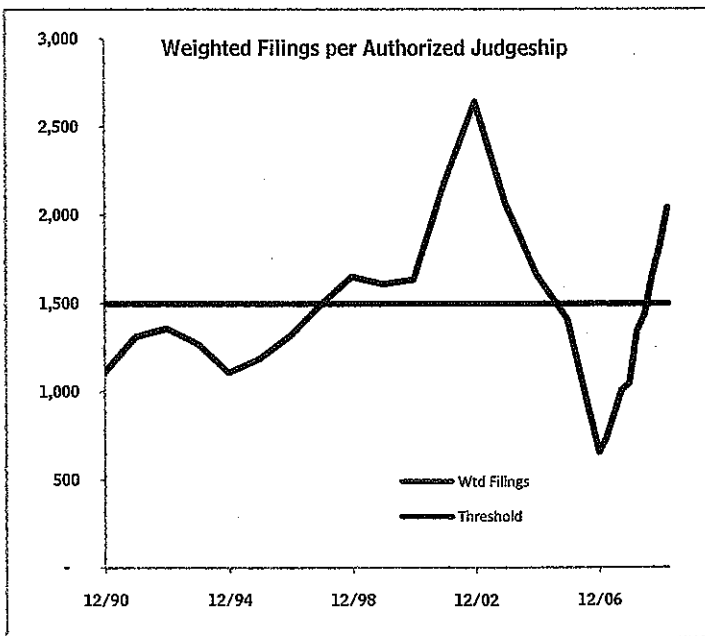
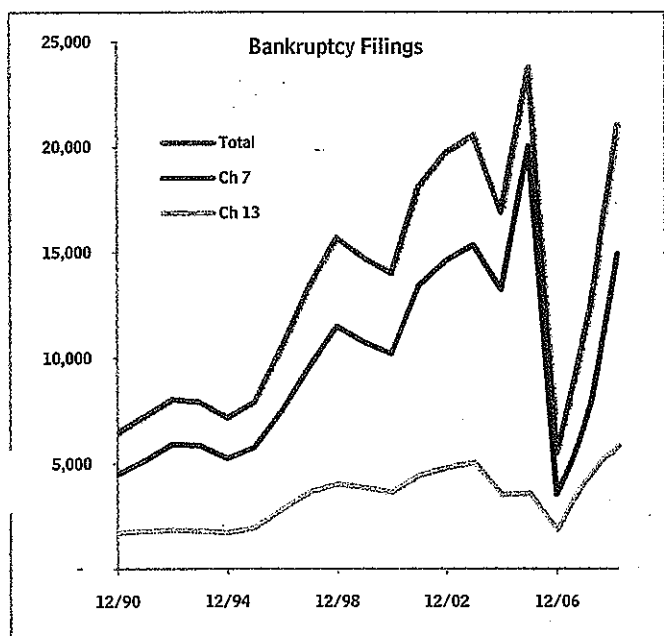


District of Nevada

| Authorized Judgeships | |
|-----------------------|---|
| Permanent: | 3 |
| Temporary: | 1 |
| Total Authorized: | 4 |

| Judgeship Recommendation(s) | |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Additional Judgeships: | 1 |
| Conversions: | 1 |
| Extensions: | - |

| 12 Months Ended | Total | Business | Non-business | Ch 7 | Ch 11 | Ch 13 | Weighted Filings | Authorized Judgeships | Weighted Filings per Judgeship |
|-----------------|--------|----------|--------------|--------|-------|-------|------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| 12/31/1990 | 6,468 | 354 | 6,114 | 4,507 | 224 | 1,734 | 3,324 | 3 | 1,108 |
| 12/31/1991 | 7,268 | 480 | 6,788 | 5,157 | 294 | 1,816 | 3,932 | 3 | 1,311 |
| 12/31/1992 | 8,047 | 540 | 7,507 | 5,926 | 282 | 1,838 | 4,073 | 3 | 1,358 |
| 12/31/1993 | 7,921 | 494 | 7,427 | 5,862 | 237 | 1,820 | 3,810 | 3 | 1,270 |
| 12/31/1994 | 7,170 | 391 | 6,779 | 5,256 | 175 | 1,737 | 3,324 | 3 | 1,108 |
| 12/31/1995 | 7,912 | 390 | 7,522 | 5,782 | 166 | 1,959 | 3,561 | 3 | 1,187 |
| 12/31/1996 | 10,531 | 429 | 10,102 | 7,515 | 170 | 2,842 | 3,957 | 3 | 1,319 |
| 12/31/1997 | 13,427 | 399 | 13,028 | 9,596 | 157 | 3,671 | 4,476 | 3 | 1,492 |
| 12/31/1998 | 15,708 | 428 | 15,280 | 11,514 | 164 | 4,028 | 4,952 | 3 | 1,651 |
| 12/31/1999 | 14,743 | 309 | 14,434 | 10,767 | 114 | 3,857 | 4,830 | 3 | 1,610 |
| 12/31/2000 | 14,010 | 332 | 13,678 | 10,219 | 137 | 3,652 | 4,903 | 3 | 1,634 |
| 12/31/2001 | 18,102 | 419 | 17,683 | 13,429 | 230 | 4,442 | 6,537 | 3 | 2,179 |
| 12/31/2002 | 19,736 | 462 | 19,274 | 14,615 | 316 | 4,803 | 7,930 | 3 | 2,643 |
| 12/31/2003 | 20,561 | 321 | 20,240 | 15,371 | 137 | 5,052 | 6,204 | 3 | 2,068 |
| 12/31/2004 | 16,912 | 257 | 16,655 | 13,265 | 100 | 3,547 | 4,990 | 3 | 1,663 |
| 12/31/2005 | 23,786 | 333 | 23,453 | 20,059 | 117 | 3,610 | 5,629 | 4 | 1,407 |
| 12/31/2006 | 5,517 | 178 | 5,339 | 3,552 | 93 | 1,872 | 2,621 | 4 | 655 |
| 3/31/2007 | 6,805 | 199 | 6,606 | 4,268 | 89 | 2,448 | 2,946 | 4 | 737 |
| 6/30/2007 | 8,148 | 234 | 7,914 | 4,968 | 96 | 3,084 | 3,480 | 4 | 870 |
| 9/30/2007 | 9,445 | 273 | 9,172 | 5,747 | 103 | 3,595 | 4,041 | 4 | 1,010 |
| 12/31/2007 | 10,953 | 321 | 10,632 | 6,740 | 107 | 4,106 | 4,187 | 4 | 1,047 |
| 3/31/2008 | 12,393 | 358 | 12,035 | 7,790 | 116 | 4,486 | 5,381 | 4 | 1,345 |
| 6/30/2008 | 14,403 | 395 | 14,008 | 9,356 | 141 | 4,905 | 5,740 | 4 | 1,435 |
| 9/30/2008 | 16,756 | 436 | 16,320 | 11,264 | 166 | 5,324 | 6,645 | 4 | 1,661 |
| 12/31/2008 | 18,716 | 505 | 18,211 | 13,039 | 185 | 5,489 | 7,303 | 4 | 1,826 |
| 3/31/2009 | 21,054 | 637 | 20,417 | 14,947 | 267 | 5,838 | 8,174 | 4 | 2,043 |

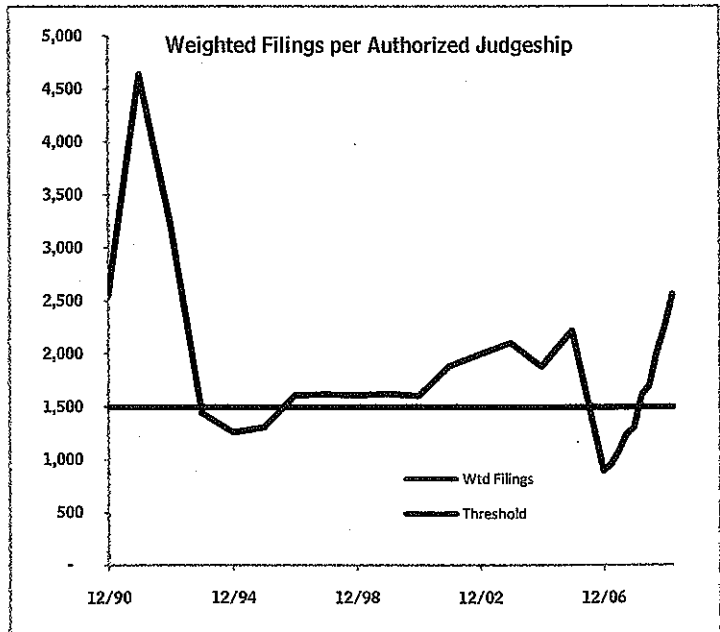
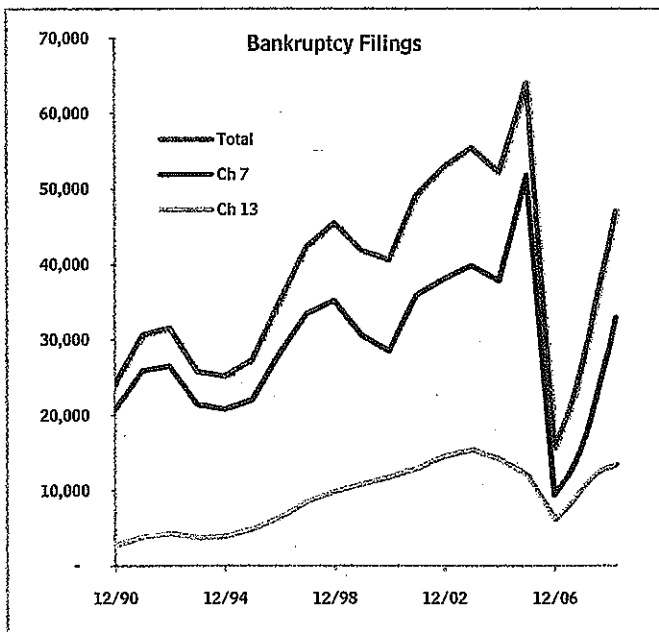


Middle District of Florida

| Authorized Judgeships | |
|-----------------------|---|
| Permanent: | 8 |
| Temporary: | - |
| Total Authorized: | 8 |

| Judgeship Recommendation(s) | |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Additional Judgeships: | 1 |
| Conversions: | - |
| Extensions: | - |

| 12 Months Ended | Total | Business | Non-business | Ch 7 | Ch 11 | Ch 13 | Weighted Filings | Authorized Judgeships | Weighted Filings per Judgeship |
|-----------------|--------|----------|--------------|--------|-------|--------|------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| 12/31/1990 | 24,154 | 1,756 | 22,398 | 20,661 | 713 | 2,770 | 10,185 | 4 | 2,546 |
| 12/31/1991 | 30,638 | 1,863 | 28,775 | 25,889 | 836 | 3,889 | 18,566 | 4 | 4,642 |
| 12/31/1992 | 31,546 | 1,700 | 29,846 | 26,481 | 726 | 4,310 | 25,928 | 8 | 3,241 |
| 12/31/1993 | 25,715 | 1,375 | 24,340 | 21,386 | 583 | 3,733 | 11,526 | 8 | 1,441 |
| 12/31/1994 | 25,180 | 1,225 | 23,955 | 20,792 | 481 | 3,900 | 10,088 | 8 | 1,261 |
| 12/31/1995 | 27,332 | 1,192 | 26,140 | 22,008 | 418 | 4,886 | 10,454 | 8 | 1,307 |
| 12/31/1996 | 35,109 | 1,183 | 33,926 | 28,216 | 405 | 6,470 | 12,862 | 8 | 1,608 |
| 12/31/1997 | 42,388 | 1,217 | 41,171 | 33,465 | 323 | 8,587 | 12,936 | 8 | 1,617 |
| 12/31/1998 | 45,472 | 1,090 | 44,382 | 35,248 | 320 | 9,898 | 12,866 | 8 | 1,608 |
| 12/31/1999 | 41,855 | 1,008 | 40,847 | 30,646 | 278 | 10,919 | 12,955 | 8 | 1,619 |
| 12/31/2000 | 40,551 | 777 | 39,774 | 28,512 | 252 | 11,783 | 12,811 | 8 | 1,601 |
| 12/31/2001 | 49,187 | 1,048 | 48,139 | 35,914 | 313 | 12,956 | 15,068 | 8 | 1,883 |
| 12/31/2002 | 52,923 | 852 | 52,071 | 38,069 | 244 | 14,604 | 15,970 | 8 | 1,996 |
| 12/31/2003 | 55,511 | 646 | 54,865 | 39,869 | 237 | 15,398 | 16,825 | 8 | 2,103 |
| 12/31/2004 | 52,207 | 542 | 51,665 | 37,842 | 212 | 14,153 | 15,041 | 8 | 1,880 |
| 12/31/2005 | 64,094 | 939 | 63,155 | 51,829 | 211 | 12,051 | 17,746 | 8 | 2,218 |
| 12/31/2006 | 15,756 | 521 | 15,235 | 9,437 | 129 | 6,187 | 7,151 | 8 | 894 |
| 3/31/2007 | 18,017 | 620 | 17,397 | 10,779 | 147 | 7,088 | 7,666 | 8 | 958 |
| 6/30/2007 | 20,248 | 766 | 19,482 | 12,019 | 181 | 8,044 | 8,639 | 8 | 1,080 |
| 9/30/2007 | 23,027 | 883 | 22,144 | 13,657 | 202 | 9,162 | 9,910 | 8 | 1,239 |
| 12/31/2007 | 26,437 | 1,109 | 25,328 | 15,825 | 229 | 10,374 | 10,455 | 8 | 1,307 |
| 3/31/2008 | 30,031 | 1,305 | 28,726 | 18,407 | 279 | 11,337 | 12,882 | 8 | 1,610 |
| 6/30/2008 | 34,471 | 1,543 | 32,928 | 21,911 | 297 | 12,256 | 13,582 | 8 | 1,698 |
| 9/30/2008 | 38,725 | 1,968 | 36,757 | 25,432 | 425 | 12,863 | 16,159 | 8 | 2,020 |
| 12/31/2008 | 42,611 | 2,230 | 40,381 | 28,904 | 520 | 13,185 | 17,993 | 8 | 2,249 |
| 3/31/2009 | 47,042 | 2,516 | 44,526 | 32,967 | 559 | 13,509 | 20,451 | 8 | 2,556 |

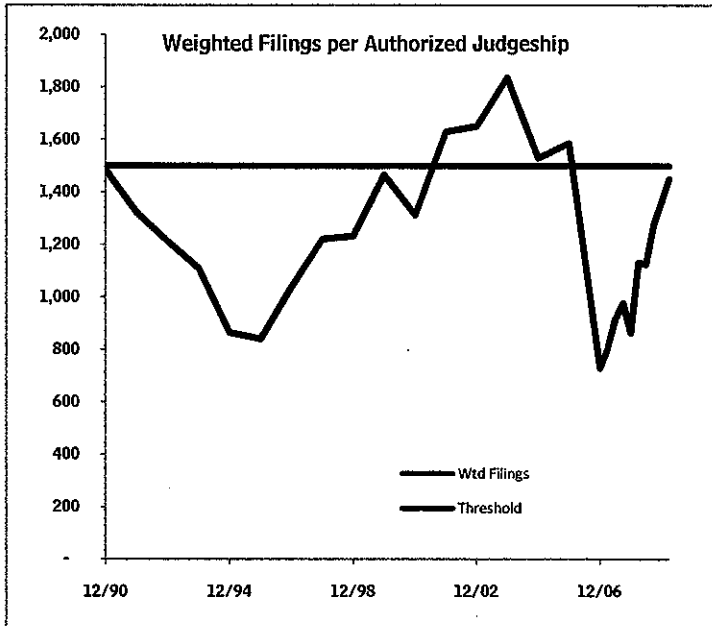
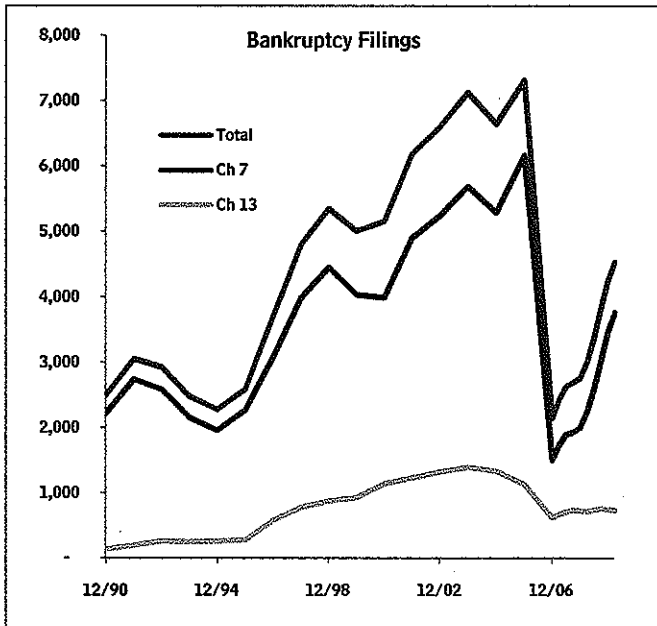


Northern District of Florida

| Authorized Judgeships | |
|-----------------------|---|
| Permanent: | 1 |
| Temporary: | - |
| Total Authorized: | 1 |

| Judgeship Recommendation(s) | |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Additional Judgeships: | 1 |
| Conversions: | - |
| Extensions: | - |

| 12 Months Ended | Total | Business | Non-business | Ch 7 | Ch 11 | Ch 13 | Weighted Filings | Authorized Judgeships | Weighted Filings per Judgeship |
|-----------------|-------|----------|--------------|-------|-------|-------|------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| 12/31/1990 | 2,488 | 238 | 2,250 | 2,214 | 119 | 138 | 1,482 | 1 | 1,482 |
| 12/31/1991 | 3,050 | 185 | 2,865 | 2,741 | 99 | 197 | 1,320 | 1 | 1,320 |
| 12/31/1992 | 2,922 | 148 | 2,774 | 2,582 | 74 | 263 | 1,212 | 1 | 1,212 |
| 12/31/1993 | 2,475 | 150 | 2,325 | 2,150 | 71 | 245 | 1,108 | 1 | 1,108 |
| 12/31/1994 | 2,276 | 116 | 2,160 | 1,958 | 50 | 261 | 864 | 1 | 864 |
| 12/31/1995 | 2,583 | 94 | 2,489 | 2,270 | 31 | 278 | 840 | 1 | 840 |
| 12/31/1996 | 3,688 | 97 | 3,591 | 3,070 | 39 | 575 | 1,039 | 1 | 1,039 |
| 12/31/1997 | 4,787 | 129 | 4,658 | 3,979 | 33 | 775 | 1,220 | 1 | 1,220 |
| 12/31/1998 | 5,344 | 91 | 5,253 | 4,446 | 18 | 875 | 1,231 | 1 | 1,231 |
| 12/31/1999 | 5,002 | 74 | 4,928 | 4,031 | 38 | 929 | 1,464 | 1 | 1,464 |
| 12/31/2000 | 5,148 | 66 | 5,082 | 3,986 | 24 | 1,138 | 1,311 | 1 | 1,311 |
| 12/31/2001 | 6,182 | 91 | 6,091 | 4,897 | 52 | 1,230 | 1,629 | 1 | 1,629 |
| 12/31/2002 | 6,598 | 73 | 6,525 | 5,242 | 33 | 1,321 | 1,650 | 1 | 1,650 |
| 12/31/2003 | 7,121 | 72 | 7,049 | 5,686 | 43 | 1,392 | 1,835 | 1 | 1,835 |
| 12/31/2004 | 6,641 | 73 | 6,568 | 5,284 | 22 | 1,335 | 1,528 | 1 | 1,528 |
| 12/31/2005 | 7,310 | 108 | 7,202 | 6,161 | 22 | 1,127 | 1,585 | 1 | 1,585 |
| 12/31/2006 | 2,143 | 86 | 2,057 | 1,504 | 19 | 620 | 728 | 1 | 728 |
| 3/31/2007 | 2,422 | 103 | 2,319 | 1,730 | 18 | 674 | 801 | 1 | 801 |
| 6/30/2007 | 2,628 | 120 | 2,508 | 1,896 | 23 | 708 | 914 | 1 | 914 |
| 9/30/2007 | 2,688 | 119 | 2,569 | 1,927 | 21 | 737 | 976 | 1 | 976 |
| 12/31/2007 | 2,753 | 121 | 2,632 | 2,001 | 21 | 728 | 863 | 1 | 863 |
| 3/31/2008 | 3,000 | 139 | 2,861 | 2,245 | 33 | 718 | 1,132 | 1 | 1,132 |
| 6/30/2008 | 3,354 | 157 | 3,197 | 2,578 | 35 | 738 | 1,124 | 1 | 1,124 |
| 9/30/2008 | 3,808 | 193 | 3,615 | 3,009 | 40 | 758 | 1,278 | 1 | 1,278 |
| 12/31/2008 | 4,240 | 239 | 4,001 | 3,461 | 38 | 740 | 1,361 | 1 | 1,361 |
| 3/31/2009 | 4,533 | 271 | 4,262 | 3,759 | 36 | 737 | 1,450 | 1 | 1,450 |

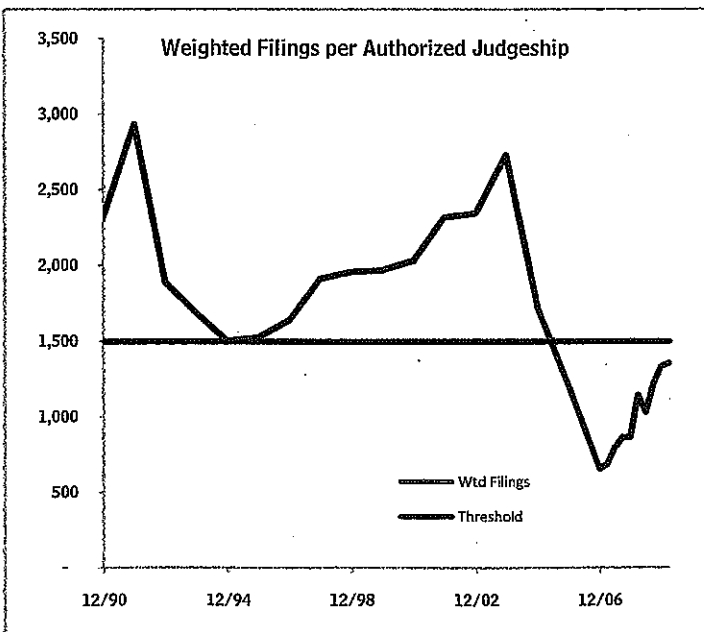
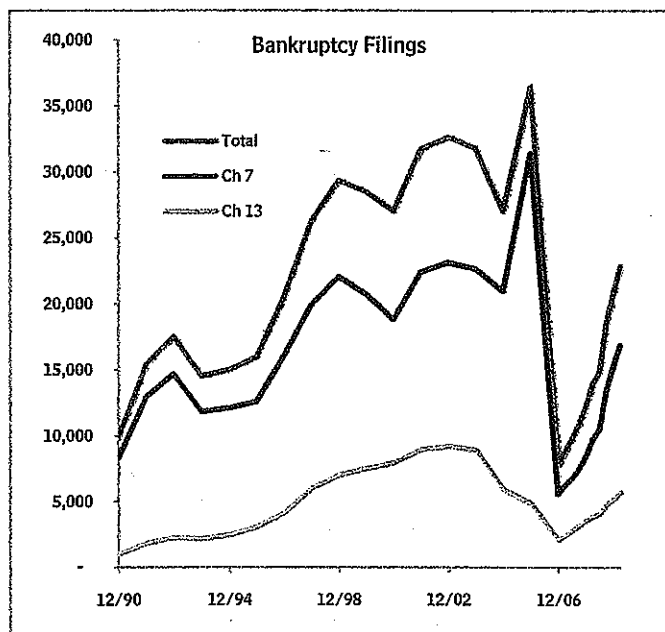


Southern District of Florida

| Authorized Judgeships | |
|-----------------------|---|
| Permanent: | 5 |
| Temporary: | 2 |
| Total Authorized: | 7 |

| Judgeship Recommendation(s) | |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Additional Judgeships: | - |
| Conversions: | 2 |
| Extensions: | - |

| 12 Months Ended | Total | Business | Non-business | Ch 7 | Ch 11 | Ch 13 | Weighted Filings | Authorized Judgeships | Weighted Filings per Judgeship |
|-----------------|--------|----------|--------------|--------|-------|-------|------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| 12/31/1990 | 9,910 | 846 | 9,064 | 8,354 | 525 | 1,027 | 6,939 | 3 | 2,313 |
| 12/31/1991 | 15,439 | 983 | 14,456 | 12,966 | 631 | 1,836 | 8,809 | 3 | 2,936 |
| 12/31/1992 | 17,535 | 1,138 | 16,397 | 14,707 | 539 | 2,282 | 9,435 | 5 | 1,887 |
| 12/31/1993 | 14,521 | 1,074 | 13,447 | 11,846 | 486 | 2,179 | 8,420 | 5 | 1,684 |
| 12/31/1994 | 15,019 | 877 | 14,142 | 12,139 | 383 | 2,494 | 7,510 | 5 | 1,502 |
| 12/31/1995 | 15,984 | 757 | 15,227 | 12,592 | 281 | 3,103 | 7,628 | 5 | 1,526 |
| 12/31/1996 | 20,557 | 746 | 19,811 | 16,052 | 313 | 4,182 | 8,205 | 5 | 1,641 |
| 12/31/1997 | 26,308 | 816 | 25,492 | 19,948 | 331 | 6,025 | 9,569 | 5 | 1,914 |
| 12/31/1998 | 29,373 | 686 | 28,687 | 22,065 | 262 | 7,040 | 9,789 | 5 | 1,958 |
| 12/31/1999 | 28,500 | 641 | 27,859 | 20,747 | 229 | 7,520 | 9,844 | 5 | 1,969 |
| 12/31/2000 | 27,032 | 604 | 26,428 | 18,813 | 236 | 7,979 | 10,160 | 5 | 2,032 |
| 12/31/2001 | 31,743 | 757 | 30,986 | 22,423 | 346 | 8,972 | 11,593 | 5 | 2,319 |
| 12/31/2002 | 32,656 | 878 | 31,778 | 23,138 | 291 | 9,221 | 11,722 | 5 | 2,344 |
| 12/31/2003 | 31,792 | 816 | 30,976 | 22,647 | 249 | 8,891 | 13,660 | 5 | 2,732 |
| 12/31/2004 | 27,041 | 568 | 26,473 | 20,964 | 155 | 5,919 | 8,600 | 5 | 1,720 |
| 12/31/2005 | 36,468 | 575 | 35,893 | 31,457 | 137 | 4,870 | 8,436 | 7 | 1,205 |
| 12/31/2006 | 7,801 | 384 | 7,417 | 5,603 | 101 | 2,096 | 4,589 | 7 | 656 |
| 3/31/2007 | 8,862 | 479 | 8,383 | 6,265 | 126 | 2,470 | 4,802 | 7 | 686 |
| 6/30/2007 | 9,789 | 569 | 9,220 | 6,778 | 183 | 2,826 | 5,583 | 7 | 798 |
| 9/30/2007 | 10,857 | 669 | 10,188 | 7,451 | 230 | 3,172 | 6,041 | 7 | 863 |
| 12/31/2007 | 12,272 | 799 | 11,473 | 8,419 | 272 | 3,578 | 6,060 | 7 | 866 |
| 3/31/2008 | 13,930 | 990 | 12,940 | 9,688 | 345 | 3,892 | 8,001 | 7 | 1,143 |
| 6/30/2008 | 14,840 | 1,059 | 13,781 | 10,455 | 301 | 4,079 | 7,208 | 7 | 1,030 |
| 9/30/2008 | 18,562 | 1,314 | 17,248 | 13,424 | 323 | 4,809 | 8,545 | 7 | 1,221 |
| 12/31/2008 | 20,798 | 1,454 | 19,344 | 15,289 | 300 | 5,201 | 9,334 | 7 | 1,333 |
| 3/31/2009 | 22,837 | 1,453 | 21,384 | 16,907 | 239 | 5,684 | 9,479 | 7 | 1,354 |

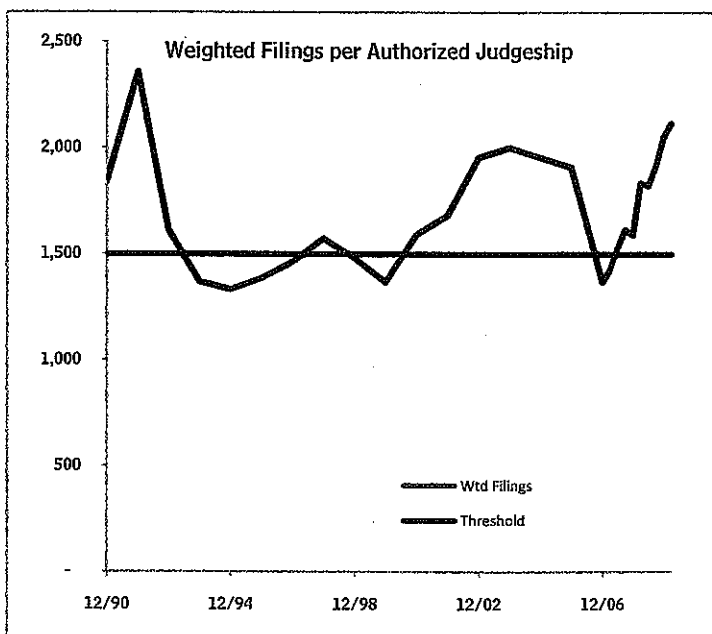
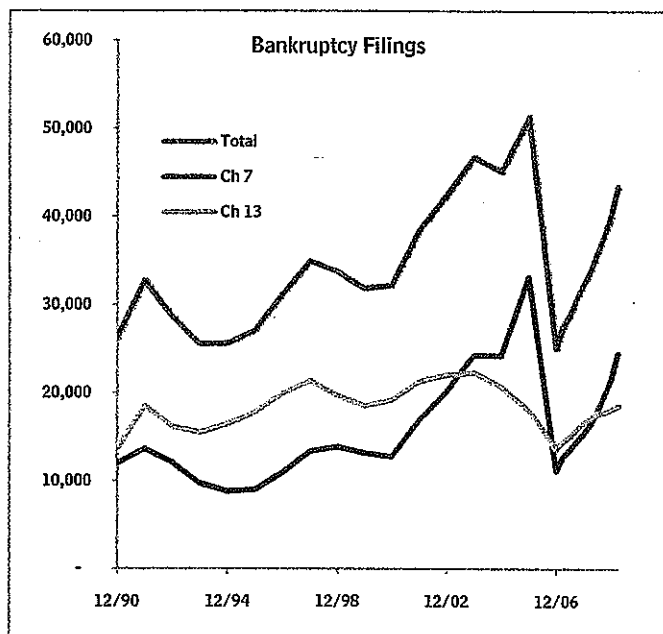


Northern District of Georgia

| Authorized Judgeships | |
|-----------------------|---|
| Permanent: | 8 |
| Temporary: | - |
| Total Authorized: | 8 |

| Judgeship Recommendation(s) | |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Additional Judgeships: | 2 |
| Conversions: | - |
| Extensions: | - |

| 12 Months Ended | Total | Business | Non-business | Ch 7 | Ch 11 | Ch 13 | Weighted Filings | Authorized Judgeships | Weighted Filings per Judgeship |
|-----------------|--------|----------|--------------|--------|-------|--------|------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| 12/31/1990 | 26,171 | 1,974 | 24,197 | 12,000 | 484 | 13,681 | 11,056 | 6 | 1,843 |
| 12/31/1991 | 32,714 | 2,417 | 30,297 | 13,682 | 509 | 18,520 | 14,155 | 6 | 2,359 |
| 12/31/1992 | 28,708 | 1,691 | 27,017 | 12,153 | 392 | 16,160 | 12,882 | 8 | 1,610 |
| 12/31/1993 | 25,530 | 1,359 | 24,171 | 9,742 | 294 | 15,491 | 10,947 | 8 | 1,368 |
| 12/31/1994 | 25,560 | 1,246 | 24,314 | 8,844 | 227 | 16,488 | 10,648 | 8 | 1,331 |
| 12/31/1995 | 27,035 | 1,199 | 25,836 | 9,008 | 216 | 17,809 | 11,086 | 8 | 1,386 |
| 12/31/1996 | 31,109 | 1,188 | 29,921 | 10,956 | 204 | 19,947 | 11,706 | 8 | 1,463 |
| 12/31/1997 | 34,946 | 1,130 | 33,816 | 13,379 | 207 | 21,357 | 12,580 | 8 | 1,573 |
| 12/31/1998 | 33,763 | 834 | 32,929 | 13,895 | 152 | 19,712 | 11,835 | 8 | 1,479 |
| 12/31/1999 | 31,871 | 650 | 31,221 | 13,217 | 116 | 18,537 | 10,929 | 8 | 1,366 |
| 12/31/2000 | 32,242 | 727 | 31,515 | 12,798 | 203 | 19,238 | 12,739 | 8 | 1,592 |
| 12/31/2001 | 38,437 | 908 | 37,529 | 16,920 | 188 | 21,327 | 13,446 | 8 | 1,681 |
| 12/31/2002 | 42,437 | 1,055 | 41,382 | 20,146 | 237 | 22,054 | 15,640 | 8 | 1,955 |
| 12/31/2003 | 46,756 | 1,239 | 45,517 | 24,275 | 178 | 22,299 | 16,004 | 8 | 2,000 |
| 12/31/2004 | 45,115 | 1,825 | 43,290 | 24,219 | 238 | 20,657 | 15,627 | 8 | 1,953 |
| 12/31/2005 | 51,324 | 1,928 | 49,396 | 33,176 | 194 | 17,950 | 15,262 | 8 | 1,908 |
| 12/31/2006 | 25,035 | 899 | 24,136 | 11,130 | 188 | 13,717 | 10,925 | 8 | 1,366 |
| 3/31/2007 | 27,536 | 992 | 26,544 | 12,726 | 209 | 14,601 | 11,411 | 8 | 1,426 |
| 6/30/2007 | 28,863 | 1,049 | 27,814 | 13,552 | 212 | 15,099 | 12,201 | 8 | 1,525 |
| 9/30/2007 | 30,768 | 1,096 | 29,672 | 14,535 | 222 | 16,011 | 12,920 | 8 | 1,615 |
| 12/31/2007 | 32,320 | 1,154 | 31,166 | 15,423 | 222 | 16,673 | 12,715 | 8 | 1,589 |
| 3/31/2008 | 33,819 | 1,232 | 32,587 | 16,410 | 252 | 17,154 | 14,681 | 8 | 1,835 |
| 6/30/2008 | 35,866 | 1,330 | 34,536 | 17,887 | 283 | 17,693 | 14,574 | 8 | 1,822 |
| 9/30/2008 | 37,839 | 1,499 | 36,340 | 19,718 | 318 | 17,800 | 15,347 | 8 | 1,918 |
| 12/31/2008 | 40,122 | 1,748 | 38,374 | 21,577 | 373 | 18,171 | 16,406 | 8 | 2,051 |
| 3/31/2009 | 43,414 | 1,999 | 41,415 | 24,530 | 369 | 18,515 | 16,928 | 8 | 2,116 |

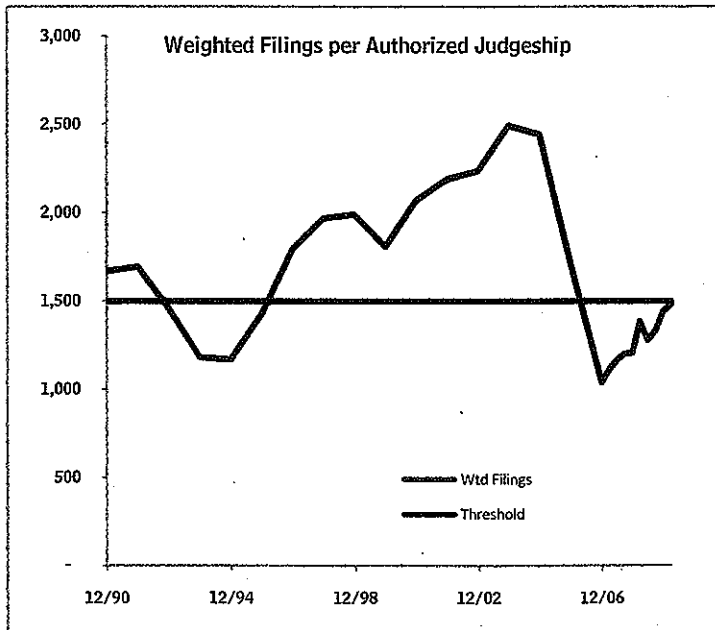
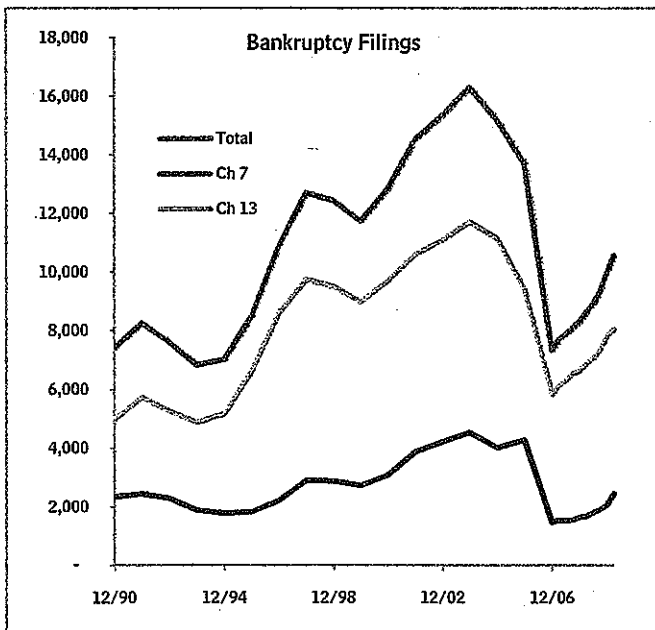


Southern District of Georgia

| Authorized Judgeships | |
|-----------------------|---|
| Permanent: | 2 |
| Temporary: | 1 |
| Total Authorized: | 3 |

| Judgeship Recommendation(s) | |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Additional Judgeships: | - |
| Conversions: | 1 |
| Extensions: | - |

| 12 Months Ended | Total | Business | Non-business | Ch 7 | Ch 11 | Ch 13 | Weighted Filings | Authorized Judgeships | Weighted Filings per Judgeship |
|-----------------|--------|----------|--------------|-------|-------|--------|------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| 12/31/1990 | 7,423 | 164 | 7,259 | 2,350 | 69 | 4,986 | 3,334 | 2 | 1,667 |
| 12/31/1991 | 8,255 | 332 | 7,923 | 2,446 | 62 | 5,721 | 3,386 | 2 | 1,693 |
| 12/31/1992 | 7,623 | 607 | 7,016 | 2,292 | 52 | 5,263 | 3,644 | 3 | 1,458 |
| 12/31/1993 | 6,827 | 419 | 6,408 | 1,894 | 49 | 4,877 | 2,953 | 3 | 1,181 |
| 12/31/1994 | 7,019 | 361 | 6,658 | 1,794 | 46 | 5,172 | 2,920 | 3 | 1,168 |
| 12/31/1995 | 8,489 | 379 | 8,110 | 1,830 | 34 | 6,615 | 3,566 | 3 | 1,426 |
| 12/31/1996 | 10,880 | 453 | 10,427 | 2,220 | 55 | 8,596 | 4,487 | 3 | 1,795 |
| 12/31/1997 | 12,707 | 310 | 12,397 | 2,919 | 40 | 9,739 | 4,919 | 3 | 1,968 |
| 12/31/1998 | 12,441 | 202 | 12,239 | 2,890 | 43 | 9,502 | 4,975 | 3 | 1,990 |
| 12/31/1999 | 11,741 | 123 | 11,618 | 2,739 | 22 | 8,977 | 4,518 | 3 | 1,807 |
| 12/31/2000 | 12,852 | 172 | 12,680 | 3,101 | 36 | 9,713 | 5,174 | 3 | 2,070 |
| 12/31/2001 | 14,526 | 114 | 14,412 | 3,888 | 33 | 10,600 | 5,471 | 3 | 2,188 |
| 12/31/2002 | 15,344 | 139 | 15,205 | 4,214 | 31 | 11,095 | 5,592 | 3 | 2,237 |
| 12/31/2003 | 16,307 | 153 | 16,154 | 4,544 | 37 | 11,721 | 6,232 | 3 | 2,493 |
| 12/31/2004 | 15,191 | 141 | 15,050 | 4,013 | 28 | 11,148 | 6,107 | 3 | 2,443 |
| 12/31/2005 | 13,704 | 144 | 13,560 | 4,288 | 34 | 9,376 | 5,153 | 3 | 1,718 |
| 12/31/2006 | 7,333 | 111 | 7,222 | 1,485 | 18 | 5,820 | 3,116 | 3 | 1,039 |
| 3/31/2007 | 7,702 | 115 | 7,587 | 1,544 | 18 | 6,129 | 3,335 | 3 | 1,112 |
| 6/30/2007 | 7,879 | 120 | 7,759 | 1,540 | 22 | 6,306 | 3,498 | 3 | 1,166 |
| 9/30/2007 | 8,119 | 142 | 7,977 | 1,562 | 25 | 6,523 | 3,603 | 3 | 1,201 |
| 12/31/2007 | 8,326 | 141 | 8,185 | 1,661 | 26 | 6,635 | 3,619 | 3 | 1,206 |
| 3/31/2008 | 8,618 | 141 | 8,477 | 1,695 | 32 | 6,888 | 4,153 | 3 | 1,384 |
| 6/30/2008 | 8,921 | 154 | 8,767 | 1,817 | 37 | 7,063 | 3,833 | 3 | 1,278 |
| 9/30/2008 | 9,312 | 145 | 9,167 | 1,923 | 39 | 7,347 | 4,005 | 3 | 1,335 |
| 12/31/2008 | 9,975 | 176 | 9,799 | 2,087 | 46 | 7,837 | 4,325 | 3 | 1,442 |
| 3/31/2009 | 10,572 | 229 | 10,343 | 2,463 | 48 | 8,049 | 4,436 | 3 | 1,479 |



Actions to Maximize the Use of Existing Bankruptcy Judgeships

One of the factors examined by the Judicial Conference before proposing additional bankruptcy judgeships is whether alternative resources for handling a court's caseload are being employed or could be employed. The judiciary uses different programs to efficiently and effectively utilize its judicial resources, several of which are discussed herein. Although the judiciary strives to identify and use alternative and innovative programs to fully use existing resources, districts with heavy caseloads may eventually outgrow the usefulness of the programs and require more permanent judgeships.

Intercircuit and Intracircuit Assignment

One tool used by the judiciary is inter and intra circuit assignment of bankruptcy judges. In the twelve month period ending December 31, 2008, bankruptcy judges reported spending a total of hours 3,989 hours assisting other bankruptcy courts, including courts for which the Conference now recommends additional judgeships and conversion of temporary judgeships.

Interjurisdictional assistance is restricted, however, due to the limited ability of other districts to loan resources. As case filings and workload increases, some districts that previously provided intercircuit and intracircuit assistance are no longer in a position to do so.

Recall

The judiciary also uses retired bankruptcy judges to assist in overburdened districts. A retired bankruptcy judge who wishes to serve may be recalled to active service in any district for a period up to 3 years. As of April 30, 2009, 23 retired bankruptcy judges are serving on recall status. Because recall service is only available to bankruptcy judges age 65 and older, however, there are many judges who will not meet the age and service requirements for retirement and recall. In those districts where temporary judgeships are in danger of lapsing, the need for recalled judges will be even greater if the judgeship lapses. If the judges in those districts are not eligible for retirement and recall prior to the lapse dates, those districts are likely to be faced with resource shortages.

Cross-Designation

The Judiciary also has the authority to designate a bankruptcy judge to serve in more than one district pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 152(d), which permits designation of a bankruptcy judge to serve in any district adjacent to or near the district for which the judge was appointed. For example, judges from the District of Maryland and the District of the District of Columbia (a single judge court) are cross-designated. This is helpful to both districts, for workload assistance and court coverage when the one judge is unavailable due to vacation, illness or other matters.

Shared Judgeships

Shared judgeships are another effective use of judicial resources. When districts share a judgeship, the judge who occupies the position serves in two districts. The judiciary turns to shared judgeships when possible to meet the resource needs of more than one district, while avoiding the cost of an additional judgeship. Even with these shared resources, however, some districts are now in need of additional judgeships based upon their increased workload.

Technology

The judiciary also employs various technologies to help overburdened courts to efficiently manage judges' time, thus reducing the number of additional judgeships needed. For example, bankruptcy judges regularly use video-conference and tele-conference technology to reduce travel time between the judge's official duty station and additional places of holding court within the district. Use of these technologies saves hundreds of hours of travel time a year, and permits the judge to attend to other matters before the court when otherwise the judge would be in a car or on a plane. In addition, bankruptcy courts use the Case Management and Electronic Case Files system ("CM/ECF"). CM/ECF enables judges to remotely access dockets, pleadings, calendars and other material that was formerly retained only physically in the case file. Judges can therefore access and work on matters before the court from remote locations, while holding hearings at other places of holding court within their district, or from home and vacation. This means that when the judges leave the courthouse, the work does not necessarily stop.

Bankruptcy Judgeship Recommendation Survey Process

The following process is used by the Judicial Conference of the United States (“Judicial Conference”) for its survey of bankruptcy judgeship needs:

1. **Local Court Request:** The chief judges of all appellate, district, and bankruptcy courts are asked to assess the need for additional bankruptcy judgeships (and conversions of existing temporary judgeships to permanent status or extensions of existing temporary judgeships) within their bankruptcy courts based on the criteria of the Judicial Conference and its Committee on the Administration of the Bankruptcy System (“Bankruptcy Committee”). To assist the chief judges in this matter, they are provided with the latest available information on the weighted filings per authorized judgeship in their bankruptcy courts.

Based on this assessment, bankruptcy courts may initiate judgeship requests to the district court or district courts may initiate judgeship requests on behalf of their bankruptcy courts. The district court’s recommendation on the request is forwarded with the initiating request to the judicial council of the circuit.

2. **Circuit Judicial Council Action:** The circuit judicial council considers each district court request/recommendation and approves, disapproves, or modifies it. A report of the judicial council’s action is forwarded to the Judicial Conference’s Bankruptcy Committee and its Subcommittee on Judgeships.

3. **Subcommittee on Judgeships Review and Recommendation:**

a. The Subcommittee on Judgeships conducts a preliminary review to determine whether on-site surveys are needed to assess the requesting districts’ judgeship needs. If an on-site review is necessary, a survey team consisting of a bankruptcy judge member (or former member) of the

Bankruptcy Committee or a member (or former member) of the AO Director's Bankruptcy Judges Advisory Group, along with staff of the Bankruptcy Judges Division, conducts the survey and prepares a report of its findings. The survey reports are forwarded to the requesting appellate, district, and bankruptcy courts for additional comment.

b. The Subcommittee on Judgeships reviews each request and all reports and documents prepared, and makes recommendations to the Bankruptcy Committee.

4. Bankruptcy Committee Review and Recommendation: The Bankruptcy Committee reviews and considers all requests for additional judgeships and conversion and extension of existing temporary judgeships, along with accompanying recommendation documents and additional comments, and forwards its recommendations to the Judicial Conference for consideration. In the event that any requests require additional information prior to recommendation, those requests may be held over pending additional study.

5. Judicial Conference Consideration and Recommendation: The Judicial Conference considers and determines whether to adopt or modify the recommendations of the Bankruptcy Committee. The Judicial Conference recommendation is then transmitted to Congress.

Assessing the Need for Bankruptcy Judgeships

In assessing a court's need for additional judicial resources, the Bankruptcy Committee will review a number of workload factors. The first factor considered will be the weighted caseload of the bankruptcy court, as derived from the Bankruptcy Judge Time Study. Also considered will be the nature and mix of the court's caseload; historical caseload data and filing trends; geographic, economic, and demographic factors in the district; the effectiveness of case management efforts by the court; the availability of alternative solutions and resources for handling the court's workload; the impact that approval of requested additional resources would have on the court's per judgeship caseload; and any other pertinent factors. Generally, it is expected that, in addition to other judicial duties, a bankruptcy court should have a [weighted] caseload of 1,500 annual case-related hours per judgeship to justify additional judicial resources.

JCUS-MAR 91, pp. 12-13.

In the late 1980's, encouraged by urging from Congress, the Bankruptcy Committee requested that the Federal Judicial Center conduct a detailed, quantitative study of the bankruptcy judges' workloads and recommend a comprehensive case measurement system. Based on records of the activities of 97% of all bankruptcy judges recorded over a 10-week time frame, staggered throughout a one-year period, the Federal Judicial Center designed a work measurement system consisting of a case weight for each of the 17 specific case types within the jurisdiction of the bankruptcy courts.

These case weights categorized bankruptcy cases filed under chapters 7, 9, 11, 12, and 13 of the Bankruptcy Code; adversary proceedings, *i.e.*, a lawsuit within a case usually initiated by filing a complaint; and contested matters, *i.e.* controversies usually initiated by the filing of a motion or an objection. The cases or proceedings are generally grouped by type and by the amount of assets or scheduled debts. For example, chapter 13 cases are categorized into subgroups according to the amount of liabilities — one subgroup applies to cases in which the liabilities are less than \$50,000 and another to those with scheduled liabilities of \$50,000 or more. While the chapter 13 case weights are based on liabilities, case weights for chapter 11 cases and both the business and non-business chapter 7 cases are based on assets.

Through this comprehensive work measurement system, the “weighted judicial caseload” in the United States bankruptcy courts can be determined and analyzed. Based upon the case weight assigned to each of the 17 categories of case types before the bankruptcy courts and the actual cases pending before the bankruptcy courts, a quantitative measurement of the judicial caseload can be made per district. This thorough system helps the judiciary ascertain the minimum number of bankruptcy judges needed in each district and throughout the country.

At its January 1991 session, the Judicial Conference carefully reviewed the Federal Judicial Center’s Study and adopted the proposed case weighting system. The Judicial Conference acknowledged the Center’s determination that a weighted caseload of 1,280 was the “average” for bankruptcy courts. It noted that this figure excludes an accounting of all the other activities that must be conducted by bankruptcy judges, such as handling general office-chambers matters, addressing personnel issues, traveling to divisional locations, attending meetings and seminars, conducting general research, etc. The Judicial Conference determined, however, that a district should have an even higher weighted judicial caseload than recommended by the Center, a

minimum of 1,500 annual "case related" hours per bankruptcy judge, before that district's request for an additional bankruptcy judge should be considered.

The weighted judicial caseload is not the sole determinant of whether the Judicial Conference endorses or denies a judgeship request. The Conference's 1991 policy includes consideration of:

- 1) the nature and mix of the court's caseload;
- 2) historical caseload data and filing trends;
- 3) geographic, economic, and demographic factors;
- 4) the effectiveness of the court's case management efforts;
- 5) the availability of alternative resources for handling the court's caseload; and
- 6) any other relevant factors.

An "on-site survey" generally consists of a review at the requesting district by a survey team composed of a judge member or former member of the Bankruptcy Committee, or a bankruptcy judge member or former member of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts Director's Bankruptcy Judges Advisory Group, and one or more members of the Bankruptcy Judges Division from the Administrative Office. The survey team reviews the court's policies and practices, focusing particularly on the court's calendaring procedures and docket sheets. Interviews are held with key court personnel, members of the local bar, the U.S. Trustee's office, panel trustees, and judges of the bankruptcy, district, and circuit courts. Before completing the on-site survey, the judge member of the survey team often meets with the judges of the bankruptcy court and furnishes a candid evaluation of that court's practices. Suggestions for improvements and ways to achieve greater efficiencies and productivity are discussed. This form

of “peer review” has proven to be extremely helpful both to the courts and the Bankruptcy Committee in determining whether additional judges or better case management is the solution to the court’s heavy workload.

Continuous improvements and enhanced efficiencies are a constant goal and the Bankruptcy Committee recognized that periodic refinements to the case weighting and assessment system are necessary. Thus, the Bankruptcy Committee asked the Center to re-examine and to attempt to quantify more precisely the judicial work required by chapter 11 “mega cases” -- an area that the Center had acknowledged at the outset of their report that the system may have undervalued. The Federal Judicial Center responded to this request by developing a prototype for adjustment to the case weight system in districts with a number of the mega cases, which the Bankruptcy Committee accepted and authorized at its June 1996 meeting.

After waiting several years to see whether bankruptcy legislation would be enacted, the Bankruptcy Committee finally determined that the system could not wait much longer for an updated bankruptcy judge case weight study and determined to proceed. In 2002, the Bankruptcy Committee requested that the Center plan and conduct a new study. The study design, approved by the Committee, included five 10-week reporting periods during which judges would report their judicial activities. The second of five reporting periods was nearly complete when BAPCPA was enacted. The Committee decided to suspend the study at the end of the second reporting period (May 2005) in anticipation that BAPCPA would dramatically change the nature of bankruptcy judges’ work, and the resulting case weights would not accurately reflect the judicial resources needed to process bankruptcy cases and proceedings.

The Center has conducted extensive analyses of the data collected from the first two reporting periods, including analyses of the working patterns of bankruptcy judges and the

development of case weights for the case types used in the 1988-89 Bankruptcy Time Study. The weights from the suspended study follow the same pattern as those in the 1988-89 study, and the weights for non-business are very similar; however, the weights for business cases are higher. Data from the suspended study provide an important baseline from which to assess the impact of BAPCPA on judicial workload. That data reflects the increases in judicial workload that occurred between 1989 and early 2005.

In suspending the study, the Committee intended to conduct another study once the courts had sufficient experience with cases filed under BAPCPA and filing patterns normalized. The Federal Judicial Center amended its study design to capture BAPCPA related workload, and commenced data collection for the 2008-2009 bankruptcy case weighting study in May 2008. The purpose of the study is to compute new post-BAPCPA case weights for bankruptcy cases and proceedings to be used in assessing judgeship needs

The new case weights will address certain limitations identified in the earlier weights. They will also reflect changes in the bankruptcy system since the last study caused by BAPCPA, new case management procedures, improvements in technology, the development of complex commercial transaction, the intricacies of international insolvency proceedings, and other developments.

The study design calls for each bankruptcy judge to record his or her judicial activities during one of five ten-week reporting periods that span 2008 and 2009. The system used to assign judges to reporting periods helps ensure participation of a nationally representative sample of judges in each reporting period and facilitates a pre- and post-BAPCPA comparison of judicial workload. Each reporting period reflects various circuits and a representative distribution of districts taking into account the number of judges (e.g., single judge or large court) and the size of

the weighted caseload (higher, average, and lower) in each district. The current study has the added benefit of assigning judges who participated in the first two waves of the halted 2005 study to later reporting periods. Once all data has been collected, the Federal Judicial Center will analyze the information and develop new case weights for the Bankruptcy Committee's review at its January 2010 meeting. Thereafter, the Bankruptcy Committee may present the new case weights and its recommendations to the Judicial Conference for consideration.