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DISTINGUISHED BANKRUPTCY JUDGE TO RETIRE FROM WESTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN BENCH

The United States Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of Wisconsin announces that the Honorable Robert D. Martin will retire from the bench on September 30, 2016, after more than thirty-eight years of service.

Judge Martin is a graduate of Cornell College and the University of Chicago Law School. He began his career as an attorney with Ross & Stevens, S.C. in Madison, Wisconsin. He was appointed in 1978 and was Chief Judge until 2012. He has continued to serve and maintain his chambers in Madison. He also served extensively as a visiting judge in the bankruptcy courts of the northern districts of Illinois and Iowa.

He is a former president of the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges, a charter fellow of the American College of Bankruptcy, a conferee emeritus of the National Bankruptcy Conference, and a former national director of the Turnaround Management Association. Judge Martin was the 2011 recipient of the Judge Norton Judicial Excellence Award in recognition of dedication and outstanding contribution to the insolvency community, and a 2012 recipient of the TMA Chairman's Award.

Judge Martin is a co-author of Ginsberg & Martin on Bankruptcy (3 vols.), (Aspen Law & Business) with the Hon. Robert E. Ginsberg and the Hon. Susan V. Kelley; Secured Transactions Handbook for Wisconsin Lawyers and Lenders, (University of Wisconsin Law School, 1990) with the Hon. John K. Pearson; author of the Bankruptcy chapter of Stein on Construction Law (8 vols.), (Matthew Bender/LexisNexis) and a former contributing author to Norton Bankruptcy Law and Practice and Norton Bankruptcy Law Adviser. He has taught debtor/creditor, general practice, farm credit, and advanced bankruptcy courses at the University of Wisconsin Law School, and has been a faculty member of the Federal Judicial Center School for Newly Appointed Judges. Judge Martin frequently lectures on bankruptcy and commercial law topics.