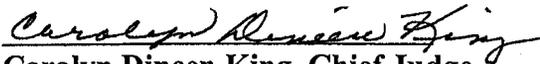


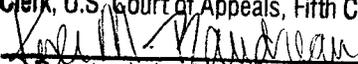
**IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE FIFTH CIRCUIT**

**ORDER OF APPOINTMENT AS
UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE**

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 152, the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit hereby appoints HARLIN DEWAYNE HALE as a United States Bankruptcy Judge for the Northern District of Texas for a term of 14 years. This appointment is effective November 1, 2002.


Carolyn Dineen King, Chief Judge
United States Court of Appeals
for the Fifth Circuit

October 8, 2002

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October 15, 2002

Mr. Francis F. Szczebak, Chief
Bankruptcy Judges Division
Administrative Office of the
United States Courts
One Columbus Circle, NE
Washington, D.C. 20544

Re: Appointment of Bankruptcy Judge Harlin DeWayne Hale

Dear Mr. Szczebak:

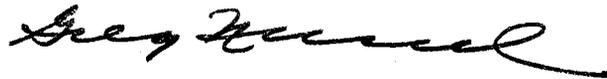
Enclosed are two certified copies of the order appointing Harlin DeWayne Hale as a United States Bankruptcy Judge for the Northern District of Texas at Dallas, effective November 1, 2002. Also enclosed is a copy of the Public Notice for this vacancy. By copy of this letter, I am requesting the clerks of the circuit, district, and bankruptcy courts to enter the appointment into their respective records.

By copy of this letter, I forward Form AO-79B (the appointment form for bankruptcy judges) to Judge-Designate Hale for his completion of the personal history statement, in duplicate, prior to the swearing-in. Upon administration of the oath, the bankruptcy clerk shall forward both copies of the AO-79B to the Bankruptcy Division.

Thank you for your attention to these matters.

With warmest regards.

Sincerely,



Gregory A. Nussel

Enclosures
cc (w/copy of order):
Active Fifth Circuit Judges
Honorable A. Joe Fish
Bankruptcy Judges of Northern Texas
Mr. Charles R. Fulbruge III
Ms. Karen S. Mitchell
Ms. Tawana C. Marshall

cc (w/copy of order and AO-79B):
Honorable Harlin DeWayne Hale