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**HONORABLE PETER D. RUSSIN APPOINTED
FORT LAUDERDALE'S NEWEST
UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE**

FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA -- The United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit, which appoints all bankruptcy judges in Florida, Georgia, and Alabama, appointed The Honorable Peter D. Russin as a bankruptcy judge for the Southern District of Florida, Ft. Lauderdale Division, on August 14, 2020.

Judge Russin graduated from George Washington University Law School (J.D. 1988) having won the Jacob Burns Prize for outstanding appellate advocacy and the Van Vleck Advanced Moot Court Competition. Judge Russin also interned for the Honorable Lawrence S. Margolis, United States Court of Federal Claims

Judge during law school. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Tulane University where he majored in History and graduated with departmental honors (B.A., 1985). Judge Russin practiced in the areas of Bankruptcy and Commercial Litigation from 1988 to 2020, when the Eleventh Circuit selected him to serve as a United States Bankruptcy Judge for the Southern District of Florida.

Judge Russin was a co-founder and shareholder of Meland Russin & Budwick, P.A. since 1993. He routinely represented corporate debtors, secured lenders, creditors' committees and trustees in insolvency proceedings as well as asset purchasers in bankruptcy. He also counseled clients through out-of-court workouts and private debt restructuring. Judge Russin was also a Florida Supreme Court Certified Circuit Civil Mediator. Throughout his career, he has written and lectured extensively on insolvency and commercial litigation topics. Judge Russin is also a past president of the Bankruptcy Bar Association of the Southern District of Florida.

Judge Russin has actively supported numerous charitable institutions having served on numerous boards of trustees and is a past president of Temple Beth Sholom on Miami Beach. He has been married to his wife Andi for over 30 years and they have three sons.