Surveys on Behalf of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Illinois

The Bankruptcy Judges of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Illinois have asked the Federal Judicial Center (FJC) to survey attorneys who have practiced in the district to assess the performance of each of the Bankruptcy Judges. The surveys are a part of the court's ongoing commitment to provide the highest level of public service possible. Survey results are exclusively for the Judges' use in improving his or her performance; they will not be provided to anyone other than the Judge being assessed and will not be used in the reappointment process. The FJC is the research and education organization for the federal courts and is located in Washington, D.C. (www.fjc.gov).

To avoid overburdening the Bar, the start-date off the surveys will be staggered over the next few months according to the following schedule.

	Survey Start Date
Judge Doyle	Monday, April 28
Judge Barbosa	Monday, April 28
Judge Black	Monday, April 28
Judge Cox	Tuesday, May 27
Judge Goldgar	Tuesday, May 27
Judge Hollis	Tuesday, May 27
Judge	Monday, June 23
Schmetterer	
Judge Wedoff	Monday, June 23
Judge Sonderby	Monday, June 23
Judge Squires	Monday, June 23

On the start date for each survey, the FJC will send an email to attorneys who have practiced before the particular Bankruptcy Judge. If the court has just one email address for multiple attorneys in your firm, please be sure the initial email is forwarded to all bankruptcy attorneys in the firm.

For each survey, research staff at the FJC will compile and analyze the responses; they will not provide the Bankruptcy Judges or the Clerk of Court with the identity of people who responded, if that information becomes known to them.

If you do not receive an email from the FJC and want to participate, please contact Ms. Beth Wiggins of the FJC by phone at 410-308-3751 or 202-502-4076 or by email at bwiggins@fjc.gov. If you have questions about the survey or encounter any technical difficulties, please also contact Ms. Wiggins. If you would prefer to complete a paper version of the questionnaire, she can provide you with a copy and instructions for returning it to the FJC.