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**U.S. BANKRUPTCY JUDGESHIP  
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA (Harrisburg)**

**Tentative Selection of Henry W. Van Eck**

In September 2016, a merit selection committee was appointed by the Judicial Council of the Third Circuit to recommend candidates for a future vacancy on the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania. A public notice of the position vacancy was widely circulated to publicize the vacancy, applications were received, and interviews of applicants were conducted. Following its deliberations, the committee submitted a report and recommendations to the Judicial Council for the Third Circuit.

After considering the recommendations of the selection committee, the Judicial Council conducted interviews with the leading candidates and then made its recommendations for the bankruptcy judgeship vacancy to the appointing authority, the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit.

Having considered the Judicial Council's recommendations, the United States Court of Appeals has found Henry W. Van Eck of Mette, Evans & Woodside of Harrisburg, PA, to be most qualified and is, at present, considering his appointment to the bankruptcy judgeship. This notice is intended to solicit written comments concerning the qualifications of Henry W. Van Eck for this position. Such comments will be accepted until **Friday, January 20, 2017**, and should be addressed to:

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