

United States Bankruptcy Court Southern District of New York

Hon. Martin Glenn Chief Judge

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BANKRUPTCY JUDGE CONFIRMED TO SOUTHERN DISTRICT BENCH

The United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York announces that Kyu Young (Mike) Paek was confirmed as a Judge to the Southern District Bankruptcy Bench on July 29, 2024 and will sit in the Poughkeepsie divisional courthouse. In addition to matters filed in Poughkeepsie, Judge Paek will be assigned a percentage of Chapter 11 and Chapter 15 cases filed in White Plains. When assigned a Mega Chapter 11 case under Local Bankruptcy Rule 1073-1(f), Judge Paek may be amenable to holding such proceedings in the Manhattan courthouse where he will have a secondary courtroom and chambers.

As noted in the previous press release of the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit available here, Judge Paek was a court executive for the Southern District Bankruptcy Court prior to his judicial appointment. He has also served as law clerk to Bankruptcy Judges Stuart M. Bernstein (ret.) and James M. Peck (ret.) including being the lead law clerk for the liquidation of Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities LLC under the Securities Investor Protection Act. Prior to joining the Court, Judge Paek practiced with the law firm of Schulte Roth & Zabel LLP. He was the co-chair of the Commercial Bankruptcy and Restructuring Committee of the Asian American Bar Association of New York and an adjunct professor of bankruptcy law at Fordham University School of Law.

Judge Paek is a graduate of Fordham University School of Law and the University of Texas. He succeeds retired Bankruptcy Judge Cecelia G. Morris who is currently continuing service on recall.