

**Bankruptcy Judge Margaret M. Mann** was appointed a U.S. bankruptcy judge for the Southern District of California on April 2, 2010. She is currently the chair of the Ninth Circuit Conference Executive Committee and the Ninth Circuit representative to the Bankruptcy Judges Advisory Committee of the United States Administrative Office. Since her appointment, she has served as a faculty member for Federal Judicial Center Education programs.

Judge Mann is a fellow with the American College of Bankruptcy and a founding member of the San Diego Bankruptcy Forum. Before becoming a judge, she was listed in Best Lawyers in America, and served leadership roles in numerous bankruptcy and civic organizations, including the State Bar Debtor Creditor Committee, Lawyers Club, Athena and the California Bankruptcy Forum.

Before her appointment, Judge Mann was a partner at Sheppard Mullin Richter & Hampton LLP and from 2003 to 2008 she served as chair of the Restructuring and Insolvency Practice and national hiring chair for Heller Ehrman LLP. Judge Mann received her B.A. in finance, *cum laude*, from the University of Illinois in 1978 and attended the Tilburg School of Economics in The Netherlands in 1978. She received her J.D. from the University of Southern California, Gould School of Law, in 1981.

Judge Mann has been active in public service throughout her legal career. She served as a Court Appointed Special Advocate for youths in the dependency system and has been awarded the Wiley M Manuel Pro Bono Service Award on five occasions. Judge Mann is on the board of directors for the national ABI Credit Abuse Resistance Education Foundation program and chairs the local organization in San Diego. She also serves on the Southern District of California Community Outreach Programs Committee.