

# PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

United States Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania

Dear Western District Bankruptcy Practitioners:

Chief Judge Jeffery A. Deller has established an Attorney Advisory Committee (the "Committee") of 12 local lawyers to assist him with issues related to the efficient and effective practice in the Court. Specifically, one of the issues that the Judge would like to examine is whether there are procedural inconsistencies among the four Western District Judges that serve as an impediment or challenge to practicing before the Court. While the Judges and their staffs work hard to be consistent where reasonably possible, Judge Deller asked the Committee to solicit comments from practitioners to determine if there are areas of inconsistency that frustrate practice in this District. The Committee will discuss the comments it receives and, where appropriate, bring them to the attention of Judge Deller, perhaps with suggestions for reconciling any inconsistencies.

Comments and suggestions should be made directly to either Bob Bernstein or George Snyder by October 31. They will consolidate the comments and bring them to the Committee's attention. The Committee will discuss the most significant concerns raised by practitioners and bring them to Chief Judge Deller. Please be frank. Comments will not be attributed. The Committee also asks that you make suggestions for resolving any inconsistencies you see.

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**NOTE:** Comments and/or suggestions regarding the Court's Local Rules should be made to the separate Standing Local Rules Committee, which may be done through this link: <http://www.pawb.uscourts.gov/cgi-bin/comments.cgi>

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