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Press Release: Selection of Kyu Young (Mike) Paek to Serve as Bankruptcy Judge in the Southern District of New York

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

New York, July 16, 2024—Chief Judge Debra Ann Livingston of the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit announced today that the Court of Appeals will appoint Kyu Young (Mike) Paek as a United States Bankruptcy Judge for the Southern District of New York in Poughkeepsie. Chief Judge Livingston stated, “We are excited to welcome Mike Paek to the Southern District bankruptcy bench. Mr. Paek has already served the Southern District Bankruptcy Court for many years as a law clerk and court executive, and he will be an excellent addition to the bench of that distinguished court. We look forward to working with Mr. Paek for many years to come.”

Mr. Paek is the Chief Deputy Clerk for the Southern District of New York Bankruptcy Court, where he manages the operation and administrative activities of the court. Mr. Paek previously served as a law clerk to Bankruptcy Judges Stuart M. Bernstein and James M. Peck. He was the lead law clerk on the liquidation of Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities LLC under the Securities Investor Protection Act, 15 U.S.C. § 78aaa, et seq.

Prior to joining the court, Mr. Paek was in private practice in the Business Reorganization Group of Schulte Roth & Zabel LLP. In this role, he assisted the firm’s representation of interested parties in bankruptcy proceedings, including debtors, secured lenders, unsecured creditors, and investors. Mr. Paek has authored articles covering a wide range of bankruptcy topics and co-authored a chapter in *Collier Bankruptcy Practice Guide*. Mr. Paek also serves as a coordinating editor for the *American Bankruptcy Institute (ABI) Journal*. He was the co-chair of the Commercial Bankruptcy and Restructuring Committee of the Asian American Bar Association of New York and has taught an Advanced Business Bankruptcy course at Fordham Law School.

Mr. Paek is a graduate of the Fordham University School of Law and the University of Texas.

Mr. Paek will officially assume his duties in a private ceremony later this summer.