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by the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals



The United States District & Bankruptcy Court, District of Idaho is pleased to announce the appointment of Syrena Case Hargrove as the newest Appellate Lawyer Representative to the Ninth Circuit Judicial Conference. She was recently appointed by Chief Judge Alex Kozinski of the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, to replace Larry Westberg who has served since 2008.

The Appellate Lawyer Representative assists in creating and developing topics to present to the Ninth Circuit during the year and at judicial conferences, including rule changes to perfect appellate procedure and improve the administration of justice. Appellate lawyer representatives work directly with members of the Ninth Circuit and court staff and participate regularly at meetings during the year and at the judicial conferences.

Ms. Hargrove is the Appellate and Civil Chief for the United States Attorney's Office for the District of Idaho. She graduated from Swarthmore College in 1992 and Harvard Law School in 1997, coming to Idaho to clerk for Judge Stephen S. Trott, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. She spent nearly ten years working for federal judges in Idaho, including Judge Trott, the late Judge Thomas G. Nelson of the Ninth Circuit, and Chief District Judge B. Lynn Winmill. She previously worked in private practice in Washington, D.C. and as an Assistant City Attorney in Boise.

In making the announcement, Chief Judge B. Lynn Winmill stated, "Syrena is a terrific lawyer and a wonderful individual. We are pleased to see someone so capable take over for Larry, who has represented our District so well over the last 4 years."