



**Alan H. W. Shiff**

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Judge Shiff was initially appointed a United States Bankruptcy Judge on March 30, 1981, reappointed to a fourteen-year term of office pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 152 on March 20, 1985; and, was reappointed to another fourteen-year term on March 20, 1999. He became chief judge on March 1, 1996, and served as chief judge through 2003. He is a graduate of Yale University, receiving a B.A. degree in 1957, and of the University of Virginia School of Law, receiving an L.L.B. degree in 1960.

Prior to his appointment, Judge Shiff was a member of the firm Shiff, Shiff & Schancupp, New Haven, Connecticut. He was a member of the Board of Trustees of the Connecticut School for Boys and the Connecticut Planning Committee on Criminal Administration. He also served as Chairman of the Council of the Connecticut Department of Children and Youth Services and Special Counsel to the Connecticut General Assembly Joint Committee on Energy and Public Utilities.

Judge Shiff has served on the Forms Task Force and on the Bankruptcy Judges Advisory Committee of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts. He was elected to serve as Second Circuit Governor of the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges, 1995 - 1998. From 1996 - 2000, Judge Shiff served on the Bankruptcy Appellate Panel for the Second Circuit.

Judge Shiff is married to the former Carol B. Sweeterman and has two children, Daniel S. and Andrew R. He is a member of the American Bankruptcy Institute, American Judicature Society, American Bar Association, and Connecticut Bar Association. He is also an Associate Fellow, Berkeley College Yale University, 2001 - present.