

PRESS RELEASE

The United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit has appointed Mychal Andrew Bruggeman as a United States Bankruptcy Judge for the District of Minnesota, effective July 18, 2025. Judge Bruggeman's chambers will be located in St. Paul, Minnesota. By statute, a bankruptcy judge is appointed for a term of fourteen years.

After graduating from the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire and the University of Minnesota law school, Judge Bruggeman began his career as a trial attorney at the United States Department of Justice, Civil Tax Division in Washington, D.C. He then joined the law firm of Mackall Crounse & Moore, PLC, in Minneapolis, where he spent eight years in commercial bankruptcy and real estate litigation. He worked the next eleven years at two smaller Twin Cities law firms: Manty & Associates, P.A., and Tiede Grabarski, PLLC, where he represented trustees, creditors, and other clients in bankruptcy, federal and state courts in Minnesota and Wisconsin.

Judge Bruggeman has been a committed practitioner in the areas of bankruptcy and creditor-debtor law. He has served as an officer and president of the bankruptcy section of the Minnesota State Bar Association. He formerly volunteered for Legal Aid, the University of Minnesota Tax Clinic, and the bankruptcy advice clinic. He also has presented regularly at continuing legal education programs.

Judge Bruggeman joins Chief Judge Katherine A. Constantine and Judge William J. Fisher as bankruptcy judges in the District of Minnesota.