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Press Release: Selection of John P. Mastando III to Serve as Bankruptcy Judge in the Southern District of New York

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

New York, June 29, 2022—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 John P. Mastando III as a United States Bankruptcy Judge for the Southern District of New York in Manhattan. Chief Judge Livingston stated, “We are thrilled to welcome John Mastando to the Southern District bankruptcy bench. Mr. Mastando is a distinguished addition to a distinguished bench, and we look forward to working with him for many years to come.”

Mr. Mastando is a partner in the Litigation Department at Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP, where he has practiced as an associate and then partner since 1996. Mr. Mastando has extensive and diverse bankruptcy and commercial litigation experience, and has represented corporate clients in a wide range of industries. Mr. Mastando has particular expertise in bankruptcy litigation, insurance matters, nationwide class actions, multidistrict litigations, and ICC arbitrations. As an attorney, Mr. Mastando has been actively involved in the bar, serving as co-chair of the Ethics & Professionalism Committee of the New York State Bar Association Commercial & Federal Litigation Section, and as a member of the Federal Bar Council’s Bankruptcy Litigation Committee and the New York City Bar Association Committee on Professional and Judicial Ethics. Mr. Mastando is also a Lecturer in Law at Columbia University School of Law, and he has represented numerous clients in pro bono matters.

Prior to joining Weil, Mr. Mastando served as a law clerk to Judge Federico A. Moreno of the United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida. Mr. Mastando is a graduate of Columbia University School of Law, where he was a Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar and an associate editor of the *Columbia Human Rights Law Review*, and a *cum laude* graduate of Columbia College.

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