



**United States Bankruptcy Court**  
Middle District of Florida  
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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **JUDGE ROBERTA A. COLTON SWORN IN AS MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA BANKRUPTCY JUDGE**

TAMPA, FL – The Honorable Roberta A. Colton was sworn in as the newest bankruptcy judge of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Middle District of Florida, Tampa Division, on December 15, 2017. Judge Colton will be replacing the vacancy created by the retirement of the Honorable K. Rodney May. On April 1, 2016, Judge Colton was appointed by the United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit as a United States Bankruptcy Judge for the District of South Dakota with a designation to the Middle District of Florida under an approved Bankruptcy Judges Vacancy Pilot Program where she served in the Orlando Division of the court.

Effective Monday, December 18, 2017, Judge Colton will be reassigned all of Judge May's pending cases and will be conducting hearings in Courtroom 9B of the Sam M. Gibbons United States Courthouse in Tampa, FL.

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