

A Selection of Proposed Congressional Bills Spring/Summer 2002

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Courts/Judiciary

Senate Action

Nominations On 1/23/02, the Senate received the nominations of Kenneth A. Marra and Jose E. Martinez, each to be U.S. District Judge for the Southern District of Florida; Percy Anderson and John F. Walter, each to be U.S. District Judge for the Central District of California; Lance M. Africk, to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Louisiana; Stanley R. Chesler and William J. Martini, each to be U.S. District Judge for the District of New Jersey; Frederick W. Rohlffing III, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Hawaii; Joan E. Lancaster, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Minnesota; Thomas M. Rose, to be U.S. District Judge for the Southern District of Ohio; Michael M. Baylson, Cynthia M. Rufe and Legrome D. Davis, each to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania; Joy Flowers Conti, Terrence F. McVerry and Arthur J. Schwab, each to be U.S. District Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania; Samuel H. Mays, JR., to be U.S. District Judge for the Western District of Tennessee; Ronald H. Clark and Leonard E. Davis, to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Texas; Andrew S. Hanen, to be U.S. District Judge for the Southern District of Texas; Henry E. Hudson, to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia; Ronald B. Leighton, to be U.S. District Judge for the Western District of Washington; and William C. Griesback, to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Wisconsin.

Hearings The Senate Judiciary Committee will hold a confirmation hearing on pending judicial nominations. 2 p.m., 1/24/02, 226 Dirksen.

Floor Action On 1/24/02, the Senate Judiciary Committee held a hearing on the nominations of Michael Melloy, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Eighth Circuit; James Gritzner, to be U.S. District Judge for the Southern District of Iowa; Robert Blackburn, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Colorado; Cindy Jorgenson, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Arizona; Richard Leon, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Columbia; and Jay Zainey, to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Louisiana.

Floor Action On 1/25/01, the Senate approved the nominations of Marcia S. Krieger, to be U.S. District for the District of Colorado; and James C. Mahan, to be U.S. and text S1475, CR 2/15/01.

Hearings The Senate Judiciary Committee will hold a confirmation hearing on the nomination of Charles W. Pickering, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit. 2 p.m., 2/7/02, 226 Dirksen.

Floor Action On 2/4/02, the Senate confirmed the nomination of Callie V. Granade, to be U.S. District Judge for the Southern District of Alabama.

Floor Action On 2/5/02, the Senate confirmed the nomination of Philip R. Martinez, to be U.S. District Judge for the Western District of Texas.

Committee Action The Senate Judiciary Committee will vote on the nominations of Michael Melloy, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Eighth Circuit; David L. Bunning, to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Kentucky; James Gritzner, to be U.S. District Judge for the Southern District of Iowa; Robert Blackburn, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Colorado; Cindy Jorgenson, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Arizona; Richard Leon, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Columbia; and Jay Zainey, to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Louisiana. 10 a.m., 2/7/02, 226 Dirksen.

Committee Action On 2/7/02, the Senate Judiciary Committee approved the nominations of Michael Melloy, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Eighth Circuit; David L. Bunning, to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Kentucky; James Gritzner, to be U.S. District Judge for the Southern District of Iowa; Robert Blackburn, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Colorado; Cindy Jorgenson, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Arizona; Richard Leon, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Columbia; and Jay Zainey, to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Louisiana.

Floor Action On 2/11/02, the Senate confirmed the nominations of Michael J. Melloy, of Iowa, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Eighth Circuit; and Jay C. Zainey, to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Louisiana.

Floor Action On 2/14/02, the Senate confirmed the nominations of David L. Bunning, to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Kentucky; James Gritzner, to be U.S. District Judge for the Southern District of Iowa; and Richard J. Leon, of Maryland, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Columbia.

Hearings The Senate Judiciary Committee will hold a hearing on the nominations of D. Brooks Smith, of Pennsylvania, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit; Ralph R. Beistline, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Alaska; David C. Bury, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Arizona; and Randy Crane, to be U.S. District Judge for the Southern District of Texas. 10 a.m., 2/26/02, 226 Dirksen.

Committee Action The Senate Judiciary Committee will vote on the nomination of Charles W. Pickering SR., of Mississippi, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit. 10 a.m., 2/28/02, 226 Dirksen.

Floor Action On 2/26/02, the Senate confirmed the nominations of Robert E. Blackburn, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Colorado; and Cindy K. Jorgensen, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Arizona.

Hearings The Commerce, Justice, State and Judiciary Subcommittee, Senate Appropriations Committee, will hold a hearing on fiscal year 2003 appropriations for the federal judiciary. 10 a.m., 3/5/02, 138 Dirksen.

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Hearings The Commerce, Justice, State and Judiciary Subcommittee, Senate Appropriations Committee, will hold a hearing on fiscal year 2003 appropriations for the Supreme Court. 10 a.m., 3/13/02, 138 H-309 Capitol.

Nominations On 2/28/02, the Senate received the nominations of Christopher C. Conner and John E. Jones III, each to be U.S. District Judge for the Middle District of Pennsylvania.

Committee Action The Senate Judiciary Committee will vote on the nomination of Charles W. Pickering SR., of Mississippi, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit. 10 a.m., 3/7/02, 226 Dirksen.

Committee Action The Senate Judiciary Committee will vote on the nominations of Ralph Beistline, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Alaska; David C. Bury, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Arizona; and Randy Crane, to be U.S. District Judge for the Southern District of Texas. 10 a.m., 3/7/02, 226 Dirksen.

Floor Action On 3/12/02, the Senate confirmed the nomination of Ralph R. Beistline, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Alaska.

Committee Action On 3/14/02, the Senate Judiciary Committee failed to approve the nomination of Charles W. Pickering SR., of Mississippi, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit.

Committee Action The Senate Judiciary Committee will hold a hearing on the nominations of Terrence L. O'Brien, of Wyoming, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Tenth Circuit; Legrome D. Davis, to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania; Paul G. Cassell, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Utah; and Lance M. Africk, to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Louisiana. 10 a.m., 3/19/02, 226 Dirksen.

Committee Action The Courts, the Internet and Intellectual Property Subcommittee, House Judiciary Committee, will mark up H.R. 3892, to amend Title 28, U.S. Code, to make certain modifications in the judicial discipline process. Time TBA, 3/20/02, 2141 Rayburn.

Floor Action On 3/15/02, the Senate confirmed the nomination of David C. Bury, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Arizona.

Floor Action On 3/18/02, the Senate confirmed the nomination of Randy Crane, to be U.S. District Judge for the Southern District of Texas.

S. 2029 (*Warner*, R-VA) to convert the temporary judgeship for the Eastern District of Virginia to a permanent judgeship, to Judiciary. S2076, remarks and text S2077, CR 3/19/02.

S. 2036 (*Graham*, D-FL) to authorize the appointment of additional federal district court judges for the Middle and Southern Districts of Florida, to Judiciary. S2183, remarks S2184, CR 3/20/02.

Nominations On 3/21/02, the Senate received the nominations of Morrison C. England JR., to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of California; Amy J. St. Eve, to be U.S. District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois; Henry E. Autrey, to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Missouri; Richard E. Dorr, to be U.S. District Judge for the Western District of Missouri; David S. Cercone, to be U.S. District Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania; and Timothy J. Savage, to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

Floor Action On 3/21/02, the Senate adopted an amendment to S. 517, the Energy Policy Act, to express the sense of the Senate on the fair treatment of presidential judicial nominees.

Committee Action The Senate Judiciary Committee will hold a hearing on the nominations of Percy Anderson and John F. Walter, each to be U.S. District Judge for the Central District of California; Michael M. Baylson and Cynthia M. Rufe, each to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania; Jeffrey Howard, of New Hampshire, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the First Circuit; William C. Griesbach, to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Wisconsin; and Joan E. Lancaster, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Minnesota. 2:30 p.m., 4/11/02, 226 Dirksen.

Committee Action On 4/11/02, the Senate Judiciary Committee approved the nominations of Terence L. O'Brien, of Wyoming, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Tenth Circuit; Legrome D. Davis, to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania; and Lance M. Africk, to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Louisiana.

Hearings The Senate Judiciary Committee will hold a hearing on the nominations of Julia Smith Gibbons, of Tennessee, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit; Leonard E. Davis, to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Texas; David C. Godbey, to be U.S. District Judge for the Northern District of Texas; Andrew S. Hanen, to be U.S. District Judge for the Southern District of Texas; Samuel H. Mays JR., to be U.S. District Judge for the Western District of Tennessee; and Thomas M. Rose, to be U.S. District Judge for the Southern District of Ohio. 2 p.m., 4/25/02, 226 Dirksen.

Committee Action On 4/18/02, the Senate Judiciary Committee approved the nominations of Percy Anderson and John F. Walter, each to be U.S. District Judge for the Central District of California; Michael M. Baylson and Cynthia M. Rufe, each to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania; Jeffrey Howard, of New Hampshire, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the First Circuit; William C. Griesbach, to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Wisconsin; and Joan E. Lancaster, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Minnesota.

Floor Action On 4/18/02, the Senate confirmed the nomination of Legrome D. Davis, to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

Floor Action On 4/17/02, the Senate confirmed the nomination of Lance M. Africk, to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Louisiana.

Committee Action The Senate Judiciary Committee will vote on the nominations of Percy Anderson and John F. Walter, each to be U.S. District Judge for the Central District of California; Michael M. Baylson and Cynthia M. Rufe, each to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania; Jeffrey Howard, of New Hampshire, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the First Circuit; William C. Griesbach, to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Wisconsin; and Joan E. Lancaster, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Minnesota.

Floor Action On 4/15/02, the Senate confirmed the nomination of Terence L. O'Brien, of Wyoming, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Tenth Circuit.

Nominations On 4/22/02, the Senate received the nomination of James Knoll Gardner, to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

Floor Action On 4/23/02, the Senate confirmed the nomination of Jeffrey R. Howard, of New Hampshire, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the First Circuit.

- Floor Action* On 4/30/02, the Senate confirmed the nominations of Michael M. Baylson and Cynthia M. Rufe, each to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.
- Nominations* On 5/1/02, the Senate received the nomination of Reena Raggi, of New York, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit.
- Hearings* The Administrative Oversight and the Courts Subcommittee, Senate Judiciary Committee, will hold a hearing titled “Ghosts of Nominations Past: Setting the Record Straight.” 10 a.m., 5/9/02, 226 Dirksen.
- Committee Action* On 5/2/02, the Senate Judiciary Committee approved the following nominations: Julia Smith Gibbons, of Tennessee, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit; Leonard E. Davis, to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Texas; Andrew S. Hanen, to be U.S. District Judge for the Southern District of Texas; Samuel H. Mays JR., to be U.S. District Judge for the Western District of Tennessee; Thomas M. Rose, to be U.S. District Judge for the Southern District of Ohio; and Paul G. Cassell, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Utah.
- Committee Action* On 5/2/02, the Courts, the Internet and Intellectual Property Subcommittee, House Judiciary Committee, approved H.R. 4125, to make improvements in the operation and administration of the federal courts.
- Hearings* The Senate Judiciary Committee will hold a hearing on the nominations of Richard Clifton, of Hawaii, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit; Joy Conti, to be U.S. District Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania; and John E. Jones III and Christopher Conner, each to be U.S. District Judge for the Middle District of Pennsylvania. 2 p.m., 5/9/02, 226 Dirksen.
- Floor Action* On 5/7/02, the Senate passed H.R. 2048, to require a report on the operations of the State Justice Institute, clearing the measure for the president.
- Floor Action* On 5/9/02, the Senate confirmed the nominations of Leonard E. Davis, to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Texas; Andrew S. Hanen, to be U.S. District Judge for the Southern District of Texas; Samuel H. Mays JR., to be U.S. District Judge for the Western District of Tennessee; and Thomas M. Rose, to be U.S. District Judge for the Southern District of Ohio.
- Floor Action* On 5/13/02, the Senate confirmed, by a 67-20 vote, the nomination of Paul G. Cassell, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Utah.
- Committee Action* On 5/16/02, the Senate Judiciary Committee approved the nominations of Richard Clifton, of Hawaii, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit; Joy Conti, to be U.S. District Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania; and John E. Jones III and Christopher Conner, each to be U.S. District Judge for the Middle District of Pennsylvania.
- Nominations* On 5/22/02, the Senate received the nominations of Jay S. Bybee, of Nevada, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit; Timothy J. Corrigan, to be U.S. District Judge for the Middle District of Florida; and James C. Dever III, to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of North Carolina.
- Committee Action* The Senate Judiciary Committee will vote on the nomination of D. Brooks Smith, of Pennsylvania, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit. 10 a.m., 5/23/02, 226 Dirksen.

Hearings On 5/23/02, the Senate Judiciary Committee held a hearing on the nominations of Lavenski R. Smith, of Arkansas, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Eighth Circuit; Henry E. Autrey, to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Missouri; Richard E. Dorr, to be U.S. District Judge for the Western District of Missouri; Henry E. Hudson, to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia; Amy J. St. Eve, to be U.S. District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois; and Timothy J. Savage, to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

Committee Action On 5/23/02, the Senate Judiciary Committee approved the nomination of D. Brooks Smith, of Pennsylvania, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit.

Hearings The District of Columbia Subcommittee, House Government Reform Committee, will hold an oversight hearing on the performance of the D.C. Court of Appeals and D.C. Superior Court. 10 a.m., 6/5/02, 2154 Rayburn.

Hearings The Senate Judiciary Committee will hold a confirmation hearing on judicial nominations. 2 p.m., 6/13/02, 226 Dirksen.

Committee Action The Senate Judiciary Committee will vote on the nominations of Henry E. Autrey, to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Missouri; Richard E. Dorr, to be U.S. District Judge for the Western District of Missouri; David C. Godbey, to be U.S. District Judge for the Northern District of Texas; Henry E. Hudson, to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia; Timothy J. Savage, to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania; and Amy J. St. Eve, to be U.S. District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois. 10 a.m., 6/13/02, 226 Dirksen.

Committee Action On 6/13/02, the Senate Judiciary Committee approved the nominations of Henry E. Autrey, to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Missouri; Richard E. Dorr, to be U.S. District Judge for the Western District of Missouri; David C. Godbey, to be U.S. District Judge for the Northern District of Texas; Henry E. Hudson, to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia; Timothy J. Savage, to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania; and Amy J. St. Eve, to be U.S. District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois.

Committee Action The Senate Judiciary Committee will vote on the nominations of Lavenski R. Smith, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Eighth Circuit; John M. Rogers, of Kentucky, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit; David S. Cercione, to be U.S. District Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania; Morrison C. England JR., to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of California; and Kenneth A. Marra, to be U.S. District Judge for the Southern District of Florida. 10 a.m., 6/20/02, 226 Dirksen.

Hearings The Senate Judiciary Committee will hold a confirmation hearing on pending judicial nominations. 2 p.m., 6/27/02, 226 Dirksen.

Hearings The Courts, the Internet and Intellectual Property Subcommittee, House Judiciary Committee, will hold an oversight hearing titled "Unpublished Judicial Opinions." 2 p.m., 6/27/02, 2141 Rayburn.

Committee Action The Senate Judiciary Committee will vote on the nominations of Lavenski R. Smith, of Arkansas, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Eighth Circuit, and John M. Rogers, of Kentucky, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit. 10 a.m., 6/27/02, 226 Dirksen.

Nominations On 6/26/02, the Senate received the nominations of Richard A. Griffin, of Michigan, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit; Daniel L. Hovland, to be U.S. District Judge of North Dakota; Thomas W. Phillips, to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Tennessee; and Linda R. Reade, to be U.S. District Judge for the Northern District of Iowa.

Hearings The Senate Judiciary Committee will hold a confirmation hearing on the nominations of Dennis Shedd, of South Carolina, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit; and Terrence F. McVerry and Arthur Schwab, each to be U.S. District Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania. 2 p.m., 6/27/02. 226 Dirksen.

Committee Action On 6/27/02, the Senate Judiciary Committee approved the nomination of Lavenski R. Smith, of Arkansas, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Eighth Circuit.

S. 2713 (*Leahy*, D-VT) to amend Title 28, U.S. Code, to make certain modifications in the judicial discipline procedures, to Judiciary. S6498, remarks and text S6503, CR 7/9/02.

Committee Action The Senate Judiciary Committee will vote on the nomination of John M. Rogers, of Kentucky, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit. 10 a.m., 7/11/02. 226 Dirksen.

Nominations On 7/11/02, the Senate received the nomination of Alia M. Ludlum, to be U.S. District Judge for the Western District of Texas.

Hearings The Senate Judiciary Committee will hold a hearing on the nominations of Priscilla Owen, of Texas, to be U.S. Circuit Court Judge for the Fifth Circuit; Timothy J. Corrigan, to be U.S. District Court Judge for the Middle District of Florida; and Jose E. Martinez, to be U.S. District Judge for the Southern District of Florida. 2 p.m., 7/18/02.

Committee Action On 7/11/02, the Senate Judiciary Committee approved the nomination of John M. Rogers, of Kentucky, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit.

Floor Action On 7/15/02, the Senate confirmed the nomination of Lavenski R. Smith, of Arkansas, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Eighth Circuit.

Hearings The Senate Judiciary Committee will hold a hearing on the nominations of Priscilla Owen, of Texas, to be U.S. Circuit Court Judge for the Fifth Circuit; Timothy J. Corrigan, to be U.S. District Court Judge for the Middle District of Florida; and Jose E. Martinez, to be U.S. District Court Judge for the Southern District of Florida. 10 a.m., 7/23/02, 226 Dirksen.

Nominations On 7/18/02, the Senate received the nominations of S. James Otero and Robert G. Klausner, each to be U.S. District Judge for the Central District of California; Robert A. Junell, to be U.S. District Judge for the Western District of Texas; James E. Kinkeade, to be U.S. District Judge for the Northern District of Texas; and William E. Smith, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Rhode Island.

Floor Action On 7/18/02, the Senate unanimously confirmed the nomination of Richard R. Clifton, of Hawaii, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit.

Hearings On 7/23/02, the Senate Judiciary Committee held a hearing on the nominations of Priscilla Owen, of Texas, to be U.S. Circuit Court Judge for the Fifth Circuit; Timothy J. Corrigan, to be U.S. District Court Judge for the Middle District of Florida; and Jose E. Martinez, to be U.S. District Court Judge for the Southern District of Florida.

House Action

- H.R. 3611 (*Davis*, R-VA) to permit the closed circuit televising of the criminal trial of Zacarias Moussaoui for the victims of September 11th, to Judiciary. H35, remarks E9, CR 1/23/02.
- H.R. 3619 (*McNulty*, D-NY) to convert certain temporary judgeships to permanent judgeships, and to extend a judgeship, to Judiciary. H36, CR 1/23/02.
- H.R. 4068 (*Scott*, D-VA) to convert a temporary judgeship for the Eastern District of Virginia to a permanent judgeship, to Judiciary. H1089, CR 3/20/02.
- Committee Action* On 3/20/02, the Courts, the Internet and Intellectual Property Subcommittee, House Judiciary Committee, approved H.R. 3892, to amend Title 28, U.S. Code, to make certain modifications in the judicial discipline process.
- H.R. 4125 (*Coble*, R-NC) to make improvements in the operation and administration of the federal courts, to Judiciary. H1199, remarks E488, CR 4/10/02.
- Committee Action* The House Judiciary Committee will mark up H.R. 3892, to amend Title 28, U.S. Code, to make certain modifications in judicial discipline procedures. 10 a.m., 4/24/02, 2141 Rayburn.
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- Committee Action* The Courts, the Internet and Intellectual Property Subcommittee, House Judiciary Committee, will mark up H.R. 4125, to make improvements in the operation and administration of the federal courts. 10 a.m., 5/2/02, 2141 Rayburn.
- Hearings* The Senate Judiciary Committee will hold a hearing on the nominations of Lavenski R. Smith, of Arkansas, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Eighth Circuit; Henry E. Hudson, to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia; and Timothy J. Savage, to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. 2 p.m., 5/23/02, 226 Dirksen.
- H.R. 4905 (*Goss*, R-FL) to authorize the appointment of additional federal district court judges for the Middle and Southern Districts of Florida, to Judiciary. H3453, CR 6/11/02.
- H.R. 4932 (*Gekas*, R-PA) to amend the Social Security Act to establish an Office of Administrative Law Judges in the Social Security Administration, to Ways and Means. H3561, CR 6/13/02.
- H.R. 5049 (*Ney* R-OH) to amend Title 28, U.S. Code, to provide for an additional place of holding court in the Southern District of Ohio, to Judiciary. H4325, CR 6/27/02.
- Committee Action* The Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management Subcommittee, House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, will mark up several prospectuses for courthouse construction and leases. 6 p.m., 7/22/02, 2167 Rayburn.
- Hearings* The Courts, the Internet and Intellectual Property Subcommittee, House Judiciary Committee, will hold a hearing on H.R. 1203, to amend Chapter 3 of Title 28, U.S. Code, to divide the Ninth Judicial Circuit of the United States into two circuits. 10 a.m., 7/23/02, 2141 Rayburn.
- Floor Action* On 7/22/02, the House passed H.R. 3892, to amend Title 28, U.S. Code, to make certain modifications in the judicial discipline procedures.

H.R. 5179 (*Manzullo*, R-IL) to amend the provisions of Titles 5 and 28, U.S. Code, relating to equal access to justice, award of reasonable costs and fees, and administrative settlement offers, to Judiciary and Small Business. H5194, CR 7/23/02.

Presidential Action

On 1/16/02, the president signed H.R. 2336 (PL 107-126), to extend for four years the authority to redact financial disclosure statements of judicial employees and judicial officers.
On 5/20/02, the president signed H.R. 2048 (PL 107-179), to require a report on the operations of the State Justice Institute.

Notices

On 5/29/02, the U.S. Sentencing Commission issued a notice of submission to Congress of amendments to the sentencing guidelines, effective 11/1/02. FR 37476.
On 6/21/02, the U.S. Sentencing Commission issued a request for public comment on proposed priorities. Comments must be received by 8/2/02. FR 42308.
On 7/19/02, the Judicial Conference of the United States issued notices of open meetings of various advisory committees. FR 47569-47570.