ANNOUNCEMENT

Chief Judge Diane Wood has appointed a committee chaired by Circuit Judge David Hamilton to examine the process for raising claims of harassment in connection with employment in the courts of the Seventh Circuit and the consideration of those claims. The other members of the committee are Circuit Judge Diane Sykes, Southern Indiana District Judge Tanya Walton Pratt, Northern Illinois District Judge Gary Feinerman, Southern Illinois District Judge Nancy Rosenstengel, Northern Illinois Bankruptcy Judge Jacqueline Cox, and Circuit Executive Collins Fitzpatrick. This will include a review of the current Equal Employment Opportunity Plan and Employment Dispute Resolution Plan of the United States Court of Appeals (http://www.ca7.uscourts.gov/human-resources/eeo_edr_plan.pdf). This plan serves as a model for the federal courts in the Seventh Circuit. The committee will also be looking at the procedures for filing a complaint against a judge for misconduct including sexual or other harassment under the Judicial Conduct and Disability Act of 1980, 28 U.S.C. Sections 351-364.