

In my capacity as Chair of the Advisory Committee for the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, I am writing to ask your help in informing your members of an opportunity to attend a special committee meeting concerning a possible revision of the appellate provisions of the Bankruptcy Rules.

The Advisory Committee for the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure will be holding a special open subcommittee meeting on Wednesday September 30, 2009, in the John Chipman Gray Room of Harvard Law School, located in Pound Hall, 1545 Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge MA 02138. The subcommittee members and the judges, academics, lawyers, court and judiciary personnel who have been invited to participate in the discussion will be considering a proposal to revise and restructure Part VIII of the Bankruptcy Rules (governing appeals) to make them clearer, more consistent with the Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure, and more comprehensive.

Any of your members who may be interested in this work are invited to attend and observe the meeting. Copies of the draft proposal will be available at the meeting. The meeting will run from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Breakfast items will be available from 8:30 a.m. and lunch will also be available. Further information regarding the meeting can be obtained from [Rules\\_Support@ao.uscourts.gov](mailto:Rules_Support@ao.uscourts.gov).

I have enclosed a flyer regarding the meeting and would be grateful if you would post the information on your website or email it to your members.

Sincerely yours,

Laura Taylor Swain  
United States District Judge  
Southern District of New York