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## FIFTH CIRCUIT

# **Southern District of Texas**

On Oct. 7, the Southern District of Texas Chapter held its annual dinner honoring the federal judiciary and special honoree Senior District Judge John D. Rainey. The keynote speaker was Judge Diane P. Wood of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit.

## **EIGHTH CIRCUIT**

#### Iowa

The Iowa Chapter hosted its annual judicial dinner on Oct. 28, the Thursday evening in between its 29th Annual Bankruptcy Seminar. The judicial dinner brings together members of the federal bar and federal judges from both the Northern and Southern Districts of Iowa. At the dinner, the chapter honored Mrs. Willie Stevenson Glanton, a pioneering attorney in civil rights and the advancement of human services. Glanton was the first female assistant attorney for Polk County, the county in which Des Moines, the capital city of Iowa, is located. Her trailblazing path then led Glanton to become the first African-American woman to be elected to the Iowa state legislature. Near and dear to the Iowa Chapter, Glanton became the first African-American and the first woman to be elected president of the Iowa Chapter of the Federal Bar Association. Glanton was inducted into the Iowa Women's Hall of Fame in 1986.

The chapter presented Glanton with a plaque to commemorate the occasion.

The Iowa Chapter has been busy, working with Hon. Robert Pratt, chief judge of the Southern District of Iowa, to make presentations to visiting judges from Ukraine associated with the Judges Without Borders Program. The Iowa Chapter is also continuing its public outreach goals through such programs as the Credit Abuse Resistance Education program started by Hon. John C. Ninfo and various educational presentations on the Constitution.

## NINTH CIRCUIT

#### **Phoenix**

On Oct. 21, the Phoenix Chapter held its monthly luncheon at the Sandra Day O'Connor U.S. Courthouse, which had an attendance of 100. The program, titled "Annual Bankruptcy Update: Five Hard Questions about Bankruptcy," was organized by Donald Gaffney, a new board member of the Phoenix Chapter, and featured U.S. Bankruptcy Judge George B. Nielsen Jr. and noted bankruptcy practitioners Jordan Kroop and Donald Gaffney. Future luncheons include programs entitled "How Not to Lose Your Appeal at Trial" and "State of the District."

# **ELEVENTH CIRCUIT**

# **Palm Beach County**

On Sept. 24, the Palm Beach County

(Florida) Chapter hosted a luncheon featuring Professor Chris McKenna from the University of Oxford, Saïd Business School. Professor McKenna provided a fascinating preview of his new book titled Partners in Crime, which examines the international history of white-collar crime from the 18th century to the present and the corresponding role of law, accounting, brokerage, and other professional services firms. TFL

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Iowa Chapter: At the annual judicial dinner—(I to r) Honoree Mrs. Willie Stevenson Glanton and Chapter President Robert Gainer.



Southern District of Texas: At the annual dinner honoring the federal judiciary—(I to r) Daniel David Hu, chapter president; Hon. Nancy F. Atlas, U.S. district judge; Judge Diane Wood, chapter judicial liaison; and Erik Garza, dinner chair.



Palm Beach County: At the September luncheon—(I to r) Professor Chris McKenna, luncheon speaker; Kerry Barron, chapter president; Joseph Bain, immediate past president; Sally Still, chapter member; and Don Londeree of Sabadell United Bank, the annual sponsor.