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STATEMENT OF CHIEF JUDGE JAMES F. HOLDERMAN ON THE PASSING OF DISTRICT JUDGE WILLIAM J. HIBBLER

Judge William J. Hibbler of the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois died this morning. Judge Hibbler, who was appointed to the Court by President Clinton in 1999, was 65 years old.

Judge Hibbler was one of the most respected and beloved judges on our court. During his nearly 13 years on the federal bench, he displayed an unparalleled sense of fairness and justice.

Judge Hibbler attended DePaul University College of Law, served as an Assistant State's Attorney for Cook County, Illinois, and was an associate judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County from 1986 until 1999.

Bill was an outstanding jurist, a warm and personable human being, a true gentleman, and a wonderful colleague. We will miss him greatly, and our hearts go out to his entire family.

I will personally miss him and the warm friendship we shared during our years together on the bench.

Chief Judge James F. Holderman