

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH - STEPHEN V. CALLAWAY

STEPHEN V. CALLAWAY was sworn in on August 9, 1986, as Bankruptcy Judge for the Western District of Louisiana at Shreveport. He was reappointed for another 14 year term in August, 2000. Judge Callaway was the Chief Bankruptcy Judge for the District from August 9, 1986 until June 1, 1995, at which time the three bankruptcy judges of the District agreed to rotate the position of Chief Bankruptcy Judge every five (5) years. Judge Callaway once again served as Chief Bankruptcy Judge from April 2004, until October, 2009. After serving two 14 year terms, Judge Callaway retired on August 8, 2014.

Although a native of Olney, Illinois, Judge Callaway has referred to Shreveport, Louisiana, as "Home" since age four (4). Judge Callaway graduated from C. E. Byrd High School in 1965, attended Southwestern at Memphis (now Rhodes College) for one year and then transferred to Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge where he obtained his B.A. in 1970. Judge Callaway served in the Marine Corps Reserve from 1969 to 1975, and attained the rank of E-5 Sergeant. Judge Callaway received his J.D. from Louisiana State University Law School in 1973.

Judge Callaway practiced law in Shreveport, Louisiana, as a partner in the firm of Burnett, Sutton, Walker & Callaway from 1973 to 1986, specializing in commercial and insolvency law. Judge Callaway was a founding member of the Shreveport Estate Planning Council, the Shreveport Bank Counsel Group, a past Circuit Governor of the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges, and a Past President of the Harry V. Booth and Judge Henry A. Politz American Inn of Court. He is an active member of the Broadmoor Presbyterian Church in Shreveport and has served as an Elder on the Church Session for a number of years. He has been the Chairperson of his Church's Administration Ministry for over 14 years and in that capacity he spends a significant amount of time managing the grounds, buildings and all issues involving same.

Since his retirement Judge Callaway has served as a Tier Two Hearing Committee Member for the Louisiana Attorney Disciplinary Board from January 1, 2015 to March 30, 2017. He served as a Lawyer Member and then Chairperson of Tier One Hearing Committees convened in Northwest Louisiana, from January 31, 2017 until December 31, 2020, when his Appointment ended.

Judge Callaway is married to Barbara B. Callaway and has two daughters: Kimberly Callaway and Katie Callaway O'Rear; two step-daughters: Ashley Collinsworth and Leigh Ann Collinsworth Thompson; and four grandchildren: Archer Thompson, Nash Thompson, Caroline O'Rear and Maddox O'Rear.