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Samuel K. Crocker is Appointed United States Trustee
for Tennessee, Kentucky

WASHINGTON—Samuel K. Crocker has been appointed by Attorney General Eric Holder as U.S. Trustee for Tennessee and Kentucky (Region 8), and will assume his duties in June, the Executive Office for U.S. Trustees announced today. Mr. Crocker replaces Daniel M. McDermott, the U.S. Trustee for Region 9 (Ohio and Michigan), who has also served as U.S. Trustee for Region 8 since January 2011.

Mr. Crocker has engaged in the private practice of law in Nashville, Tenn., for more than 25 years, primarily representing bankruptcy debtors, creditors and trustees. In addition, since 1984 he has been a member of the panel of chapter 7 trustees in the Middle District of Tennessee. He has also served as a trustee in numerous chapter 11 cases.

Mr. Crocker has argued cases before the Fifth, Sixth and Eleventh Circuit Courts of Appeal. He is a former board member of the Mid-South Commercial Law Institute, which presents an annual seminar in Nashville on commercial law and bankruptcy issues, and a former board member and past president of the National Association of Bankruptcy Trustees. An authority on bankruptcy and trustee-related matters, Mr. Crocker speaks at bankruptcy seminars and training programs around the country and writes articles for scholarly journals and other bankruptcy publications. Mr. Crocker received his law degree from the University of Mississippi School of Law in Oxford, Miss., and his Bachelor of Arts degree from Vanderbilt University in Nashville.

The U.S. Trustee Program (USTP) is the component of the Justice Department that protects the integrity of the bankruptcy system by overseeing case administration and litigating to enforce the bankruptcy laws. The USTP has 21 regions and 95 field offices. Region 8 is headquartered in Memphis, with offices in Nashville and Chattanooga, Tenn., and Louisville and Lexington, Ky.

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