

# Sheri Bluebond

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## Sheri Bluebond

**Sheri Bluebond** is a Federal Bankruptcy Court Judge for the United States bankruptcy court, Central District of California. She was appointed February 1, 2001 by the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit and her term will expire January 31, 2015.<sup>[1]</sup>

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## Education

Judge Bluebond received her undergraduate degree from the University of California at Los Angeles in 1982 and her J.D. from the University of California at Los Angeles School of Law in 1985.<sup>[2][1]</sup>

## Career

From 1995 to 2001, Judge Bluebond was a Partner with Irell & Manella LLP in Los Angeles, California. From 1991 to 1995, she was a shareholder with Murphy, Weir & Butler in Los Angeles, California. Then she was an associate for Gendel, Raskoff, Shapiro & Quittner in Los Angeles from 1983 to 1991.<sup>[1]</sup>

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- Jewish Big Brothers Big Sisters of Los Angeles/Camp Max Straus<sup>[1]</sup>

## Work as an author

- "To File or Not to File," *American Bar Association Journal*, July 1999
- "Assessing the Usefulness of Chapter 11 Filing," *Business Workouts Manual* (Supp. 1999)
- "Insulating Purchasers in Bankruptcy from Successor Liability," *The Review of Banking & Financial Services* (April 1998)<sup>[1]</sup>

## See also

- United States bankruptcy court

## External links

- Central District of California bankruptcy court (<http://www.cacb.uscourts.gov>)

## References

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2. ↑ Judge Profile: Sheri A. Bluebond (<http://www.martindale.com/Sheri-A-Bluebond/134184-lawyer.htm>)

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Law School: UCLA School of Law, 1985



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