

pursuant to section 2167 of this title shall have jurisdiction to hear appeals of interlocutory orders or decrees if—

(A) the district court on its own motion or on the request of a party to the order or decree certifies that—

(i) the order or decree involves a question of law as to which there is no controlling decision of the court of appeals for the circuit or of the Supreme Court of the United States, or involves a matter of public importance;

(ii) the order or decree involves a question of law requiring the resolution of conflicting decisions; or

(iii) an immediate appeal from the order or decree may materially advance the progress of the case or proceeding in which the appeal is taken; and

(B) the court of appeals authorizes the direct appeal of the order or decree.

(4) If the district court on its own motion or on the request of a party determines that a circumstance specified in clauses (i), (ii), or (iii) of paragraph (3)(A) exists, then the district court shall make the certification described in paragraph (3).

(5) The parties may supplement the certification with a short statement of the basis for the certification issued by the district court under paragraph (3)(A).

(6) Except as provided in section 2164(d) of this title, an appeal of an interlocutory order or decree does not stay any proceeding of the district court from which the appeal is taken unless the district court, or the court of appeals in which the appeal is pending, issues a stay of such proceedings pending the appeal.

(7) Any request for a certification in respect to an interlocutory appeal of an order or decree shall be made not later than 60 days after the entry of the order or decree.

**(f) Reallocation of court staff**

Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the clerk of the court in which a case is pending shall reallocate as many staff and assistants as the clerk deems necessary to ensure that the court has adequate resources to provide for proper case management.

(Pub. L. 114-187, title III, §306, June 30, 2016, 130 Stat. 580.)

**§ 2167. Venue**

**(a) In general**

Venue shall be proper in—

(1) with respect to a territory, the district court for the territory or, for any territory that does not have a district court, the United States District Court for the District of Hawaii; and

(2) with respect to a covered territorial instrumentality, the district court for the territory in which the covered territorial instrumentality is located or, for any territory that does not have a district court, the United States District Court for the District of Hawaii.

**(b) Alternative venue**

(1) If the Oversight Board so determines in its sole discretion, then venue shall be proper in the

district court for the jurisdiction in which the Oversight Board maintains an office that is located outside the territory.

(2) With respect to paragraph (1), the Oversight Board may consider, among other things—

(A) the resources of the district court to adjudicate a case or proceeding; and

(B) the impact on witnesses who may be called in such a case or proceeding.

(Pub. L. 114-187, title III, §307, June 30, 2016, 130 Stat. 582.)

**§ 2168. Selection of presiding judge**

(a) For cases in which the debtor is a territory, the Chief Justice of the United States shall designate a district court judge to sit by designation to conduct the case.

(b) For cases in which the debtor is not a territory, and no motion for joint administration of the debtor's case with the case of its affiliate territory has been filed or there is no case in which the affiliate territory is a debtor, the chief judge of the court of appeals for the circuit embracing the district in which the case is commenced shall designate a district court judge to conduct the case.

(Pub. L. 114-187, title III, §308, June 30, 2016, 130 Stat. 582.)

**§ 2169. Abstention**

Nothing in this subchapter prevents a district court in the interests of justice from abstaining from hearing a particular proceeding arising in or related to a case under this subchapter.

(Pub. L. 114-187, title III, §309, June 30, 2016, 130 Stat. 583.)

**§ 2170. Applicable rules of procedure**

The Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure shall apply to a case under this subchapter and to all civil proceedings arising in or related to cases under this subchapter.

(Pub. L. 114-187, title III, §310, June 30, 2016, 130 Stat. 583.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, referred to in text, are set out in the Appendix to Title 11, Bankruptcy.

**§ 2171. Leases**

A lease to a territory or territorial instrumentality shall not be treated as an executory contract or unexpired lease for the purposes of section 365 or 502(b)(6) of title 11 solely by reason of the lease being subject to termination in the event the debtor fails to appropriate rent.

(Pub. L. 114-187, title III, §311, June 30, 2016, 130 Stat. 583.)

**§ 2172. Filing of plan of adjustment**

**(a) Exclusivity**

Only the Oversight Board, after the issuance of a certificate pursuant to section 2124(j) of this title, may file a plan of adjustment of the debts of the debtor.

**(b) Deadline for filing plan**

If the Oversight Board does not file a plan of adjustment with the petition, the Oversight