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## The Washington Post: We Need more Bankruptcy Judges. Congress Can Help.

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O'Melveny bankruptcy partner Peter Friedman authored this op-ed in *The Washington Post* calling for more bankruptcy judges to handle what he described as a coming “wave of covid-19-related bankruptcies.”

“...Our bankruptcy system will be overwhelmed,” Friedman wrote. “To avoid this foreseeable calamity, Congress should immediately authorize a substantial increase in federal bankruptcy judgeships to handle the load and ensure that our economic courts of last resorts can meet their critical obligations.”

Friedman is one of the nation’s leading bankruptcy and restructuring litigators. His recent work on behalf of the Government of Puerto Rico in its bankruptcy cases earned him recognition from the *National Law Journal* as a result in a “Litigation Trailblazer of the Year,” as well as a feature in *The American Lawyer’s* “Litigation Department of the Year” profile of O'Melveny.

*The Washington Post* subscribers can read the full article [here](#).