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Kelly A. Law Named Trial Court Administrator for Camden Vicinage

Assignment Judge Faustino J. Fernandez-Vina of the Camden Vicinage today announced the appointment of Kelly A. Law as trial court administrator. The appointment is effective July 1. She succeeds Michael O'Brien, who died in February.

The trial court administrator is the highest ranking staff executive in the vicinage in charge of all court operations, including financial management, human resources, information systems, case coordination, case flow management, probation services, jury utilization, facilities, equipment, maintenance, records management and statistical analysis.

Law will work closely with Judge Fernandez-Vina and with vicinage leadership to manage a court operation that includes approximately 25 judges and 572 staff members.

Under New Jersey court rules, the administrative director of the courts appoints the trial court administrator in each vicinage. Judge Glenn A. Grant, acting administrative director of the courts, said he named Law on the strong recommendation of Judge Fernandez-Vina.

"We still feel the sting of Mike's death very strongly, but the Camden Vicinage continues its tradition of excellence in serving the public," said Judge Fernandez-Vina. "Having served as assistant trial court administrator in a multi-county vicinage for more than 12 years, Kelly is a proven leader whose extensive knowledge of court operations promise a smooth transition for us."

Law earned a bachelor of arts degree from Glassboro State College, now Rowan University. She earned a law degree from Widener University School of Law in Wilmington, Del. She served as a law clerk to Superior Court Judge Donald A. Smith Jr. before becoming an assistant prosecutor with the Burlington County Prosecutor's Office in 1992. In 1998, she joined the Judiciary as the family division manager in Vicinage 15, which includes Cumberland, Gloucester, and Salem counties. She was named assistant trial court administrator in 2000 and has served in that role since then.

"I have mixed emotions about leaving the wonderful people in Vicinage 15, and in particular Assignment Judge Georgia M. Curio, because I am so grateful for their support and encouragement over the years," said Law. "At the same time, I am honored to be given this opportunity to join the Camden Vicinage in this role, and I am eager to keep the vicinage moving forward as my colleague Mike would have wanted."

Law lives in West Deptford, Gloucester County, with her husband, Christopher, and daughter, Dara.

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