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Chief Justice Names Judge Lee A. Solomon Assignment Judge of Camden Vicinage

Chief Justice Stuart Rabner has announced that Superior Court Judge Lee A. Solomon will lead the Camden Vicinage, effective today, Nov. 20. He succeeds Assignment Judge Faustino J. Fernandez-Vina, who was appointed to the New Jersey Supreme Court. The newly appointed justice took his oath of office on Nov. 19.

“Judge Solomon is an experienced leader who has demonstrated his ability to oversee various organizational structures and guide management and staff with sound judgment. He has earned the admiration and respect of colleagues across various disciplines for his ongoing efforts to ensure that service to the public is responsive and efficient,” said Chief Justice Rabner. “I have the highest confidence that he will lead the Camden Vicinage ably and strongly.”

Judge Solomon was first appointed to the bench in January 2006 by Acting Gov. Richard J. Codey. He served in the Camden Vicinage for two years in the family division, and then for two years in the criminal division. In February 2010, Gov. Chris Christie named Judge Solomon president of the Board of Public Utilities. Judge Solomon left the bench to lead the BPU until December 2011, when he was nominated by Gov. Christie to return to the bench in Camden. He rejoined the court in the civil division. In April 2013, Judge Solomon was named presiding judge of the criminal division by Chief Justice Rabner.

Immediately prior to his appointment to the Judiciary, Judge Solomon served as deputy U.S. attorney for the southern vicinages of New Jersey, appointed in 2002 by then-U.S. Attorney Chris Christie. He also served as Camden County prosecutor for five years and acting prosecutor for one year. Before his appointment as prosecutor, he had served for five years in the New Jersey General Assembly.

“To be named assignment judge by Chief Justice Rabner is an opportunity I accept with humility and appreciation. I was grateful for the chance to return to the Judiciary and be part of the important work done every day in our courtrooms and offices,” said Judge Solomon. “And with this appointment, I commit myself to leading my colleagues on the Camden bench, along with the staff that keeps one of the busiest courthouses in the state operating so successfully, to the very best of my ability.”

Judge Solomon received his law degree from Widener University School of Law in 1978 and his bachelor’s degree from Muhlenberg College in 1975. He is married and has three children. The family lives in Haddonfield.

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