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Superior Court Judge Heidi Willis Currier Appointed to Appellate Division

Superior Court Judge Heidi Willis Currier will move to the Appellate Division effective Aug. 1, Chief Justice Stuart Rabner announced today.

The Appellate Division of the Superior Court is New Jersey's intermediate appellate court. The 32 Appellate Division judges hear appeals from decisions of the trial courts, the Tax Court and state administrative agencies. The Appellate Division generally decides between 6,000 and 6,500 appeals and about 8,500 motions each year.

Appointed to the bench by Gov. James E. McGreevey, Judge Currier took the oath of office on Jan. 29, 2004. She served in the civil division until September 2004, and then moved to the family division. She returned to the civil division in 2008 and was named acting presiding judge of the civil division from February through May 2013. She has served on temporary assignment to the Appellate Division since April 2015.

A graduate of Smith College and of Rutgers School of Law-Camden, Judge Currier began her legal career serving as a law clerk to Superior Court Judge Sidney H. Reiss. From 1987 to 1995 she was an associate at Connell, Foley LLP. She was named partner in 1995 and continued with the firm until her appointment to the bench.

Judge Currier was a trustee of the New Jersey State Bar Association from 2001 to 2004. She also was chair of the Civil Trial Bar Section. She served as president of the New Jersey Defense Association from 2002 to 2004.

Judge Currier served as a member of the Supreme Court Committee on Character from 1993 to 2000. She also served as an arbitrator in Middlesex and Union vicinages and was a member of the committee that helped oversee the implementation of best practices in the civil division. She is a member of the Supreme Court Civil Practice Committee.

"I have been privileged to serve with wonderful colleagues during my tenure in Middlesex County and will miss their wisdom and guidance. I am excited to join the Appellate Division and look forward to this challenging new role and the opportunity to continue serving the citizens of this state," Judge Currier said.

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