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## **Gurpreet M. Singh Named Trial Court Administrator for Monmouth Vicinage**

Assignment Judge Lisa P. Thornton of the Monmouth Vicinage today announced the appointment of Gurpreet M. Singh as trial court administrator, effective July 18.

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.

Singh will work closely with Judge Thornton and vicinage leadership to manage a court operation that includes 26 judges and more than 400 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 Singh on the strong recommendation of Judge Thornton.

“Gurpreet and I have worked together in the past and I am so honored that she has agreed to join me in leading the Monmouth Vicinage,” said Judge Thornton. “She is a brilliant lawyer and a talented manager whose leadership and dedication will enable us to provide the highest quality justice to the people of Monmouth County.”

Singh earned a bachelor’s degree from Rutgers University and a law degree from New York Law School. She was a litigation associate at the New York firm of Kelley Drye & Warren LLP from 1995 to 2001, when she joined the Judiciary as the equal employment opportunity and affirmative action officer in the Union Vicinage. In 2002 she joined the Administrative Office of the Courts as the statewide affirmative action officer, and in 2006 she moved to the New Jersey Office of the Attorney General (OAG) as the director of equal employment opportunity. She was named chief of staff for the OAG in 2008.

Singh returned to the Judiciary in January 2010 as counsel to the Supreme Court Advisory Committee on Extrajudicial Activities. She was named special assistant to the administrative director of the courts in December 2010.

“As a resident of Monmouth County, I am honored and excited to serve in this new role and eager to work with Assignment Judge Thornton and the talented and dedicated judges, managers, and staff of the Monmouth Vicinage in providing quality court services to the public,” said Singh. “I want to thank Judge Grant and Judge Thornton for this opportunity. I am grateful for the guidance and mentorship I have received from Judge Grant and Chief of Staff Steven Bonville and for the support and encouragement from my colleagues at the Administrative Office of the Courts and throughout the Judiciary.”

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