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Superior Court Judge Scott J. Moynihan Appointed to Appellate Division

Superior Court Judge Scott J. Moynihan will be temporarily assigned 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.

Judge Moynihan is assigned to the criminal division in the Union Vicinage. He was nominated to the Superior Court by Gov. Christine Todd Whitman in 1997 and was reappointed by Gov. James E. McGreevey in 2004. He was first assigned to the family division and also has sat in the civil and criminal divisions, twice serving as presiding criminal division judge.

Prior to becoming a judge, Judge Moynihan worked as a law clerk and associate at the law firm of Rinaldo & Rinaldo, P.C. from October 1981 to June 1984 and was an associate and partner at the law firm of Palmisano & Goodman, P.A. from June 1984 until his appointment to the bench.

Judge Moynihan earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in English from Rutgers University in 1979 and a law degree from Seton Hall University School of Law in 1983.

"I am honored and humbled at my appointment to the Appellate Division and look forward to continue serving the people of this state," Judge Moynihan said.