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Superior Court Judge Hany A. Mawla Appointed to Appellate Division

Superior Court Judge Hany A. Mawla 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 Mawla had served as the presiding judge of the family division in the Somerset/Hunterdon/Warren vicinage. Appointed to the bench by Gov. Jon Corzine in January 2010, he also served as the supervising judge in the vicinage's civil division and served on both the New Jersey Supreme Court Family Practice Committee and the New Jersey Children in Court Improvement Committee. He is the chair of the New Jersey Supreme Court Committee on Minority Concerns and a Vice-Chair of the Supreme Court Advisory Committee on Access and Fairness.

Prior to joining the bench, Judge Mawla was a partner in the litigation department of the law firm of Greenbaum, Rowe, Smith & Davis LLP. Judge Mawla received his undergraduate degree from Rutgers University and his law degree from the Seton Hall University School of Law.

"I wish to thank the Chief Justice for the opportunity to continue my service to New Jersey by appointing me to the Appellate Division. I have always admired the judges who have served and continue to serve in the Appellate Division and I hope to add to the court's already stellar reputation. I hold a special affection for the hard working judges and staff of the Somerset/Hunterdon/Warren vicinage as well as the attorneys of the bar. I would not have this opportunity without their kindness and friendship," Judge Mawla said.