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Chief Justice Rabner Administers Oath to New Attorneys in Virtual Ceremony

Chief Justice Stuart Rabner today administered the oath of admission to the New Jersey bar to 37 new attorneys who he said will bring their skills and talents to the legal profession during challenging times.

"Have in mind that one day hopefully soon, when the pandemic ends, you'll stand in front of judges and juries in courtrooms, advocate for clients, and make notable contributions to the cause of justice in our state and society at a time that we desperately need to see justice done – to see the cause of justice served," Chief Justice Rabner told the new attorneys.

The virtual ceremony also included an address from U.S. District Chief Judge Freda Wolfson, who swore the new attorneys into the federal bar. Kimberly A. Yonta, president of the New Jersey State Bar Association, and Edward T. Kole, president of the Association of the Federal Bar of New Jersey, participated as well. The ceremony has been traditionally held at the War Memorial building in Trenton.

Before administering the oath, Chief Justice Rabner told the candidates that their responsibilities include offering advice and guidance to clients who will "place their trust in our hands."

"Those clients and the legal system as a whole will benefit from your advocacy and professionalism, and from the fresh perspective that you bring to the problems we now face," he said.

