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Kimberly Cicala Named Trial Court Administrator for Hudson Vicinage

Assignment Judge Jeffrey R. Jablonski of the Hudson Vicinage announced today the appointment of Kimberly Cicala as trial court administrator, effective Aug. 1.

Cicala succeeds Marie L. Kerrivan, who will retire after 32 years with the Judiciary.

Under New Jersey court rules, the administrative director of the courts appoints the trial court administrator in each vicinage. Glenn A. Grant, administrative director of the courts, said he named Cicala on the strong recommendation of Judge Jablonski.

“Trial Court Administrator Kerrivan is a talented manager whose extensive experience has greatly benefited the Judiciary. Like Ms. Kerrivan, Kimberly Cicala has served our organization in several important roles. I am confident she will be a valuable asset to continue the tradition of strong leadership in the Hudson Vicinage,” Director Grant said.

Cicala has served as the vicinage’s operations division manager since 2021. She served as the ombudsman in the Union Vicinage the previous year. Cicala began her career with the Judiciary in 2003 in the Essex Vicinage, where she held several positions, including criminal division team leader and ombudsman. In 2014, she moved to the Hudson Vicinage, serving as assistant chief probation officer in the child support enforcement unit for two years before becoming chief probation officer there.

“Ms. Kerrivan is an exemplary leader within the New Jersey Judiciary. The dedication and enthusiasm that she epitomized over her three decades of service to our organization serves as a model for all. We will miss her and wish her the very best as she moves on to new adventures,” Judge Jablonski said. “Kimberly Cicala

brings a rich professional repertoire to court administration in Hudson County. Her leadership skill, combined with a superlative work ethic, will enable us to continue our mission of providing justice to the citizens of Hudson County.”

Cicala earned a bachelor’s degree from Boston College and her law degree from Villanova University School of Law.

“I am honored to have been appointed trial court administrator for the Hudson Vicinage. I am grateful to Administrative Director Grant and Assignment Judge Jablonski for the opportunity to serve the public in this role alongside our team of talented and dedicated judges, managers, and staff,” Cicala said.

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