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Lisa R. Burke Named Diversity, Inclusion, and Community Engagement Program Officer

Lisa R. Burke will serve as the Judiciary's Diversity, Inclusion, and Community Engagement Program officer, Glenn A. Grant, administrative director of the courts, said today.

Burke succeeds Yolande P. Marlow, who retired after more than 30 years with the Judiciary.

"Lisa Burke has spent almost two decades working with her predecessor and has been intimately involved in all of the Judiciary's efforts to promote diversity and inclusion in our court system. She is highly regarded within our organization and has a well-deserved reputation for the knowledge and expertise she brings to this important work both locally and nationally." Director Grant said.

Burke previously served as the Diversity, Inclusion and Community Engagement (DI&CE) program coordinator, a position she held since joining the Judiciary in 2004.

In addition to her work within the Office of Communications and Community Relations, Burke serves as staff to the Supreme Court Committee on Diversity, Inclusion and Community Engagement and is a member of the Supreme Court Committee on Access and Fairness. She also serves on the advisory board of the National Consortium on Racial and Ethnic Fairness in the Courts and participates in several other national organizations.

The DI&CE program examines how the Judiciary can best assure fairness, impartiality, and equal access across diverse communities, provides guidance to vicinages, and coordinates Court-approved studies and other research related to diversity, inclusion, and community engagement.

Burke earned an undergraduate degree from New Jersey City University, a graduate degree from Columbia University, and is in the process of completing a certification in cross-cultural dispute resolution at Washington University in St. Louis School of Law.