

Investiture of Presiding Justice Dianne T. Renwick



On January 22, 2024, the Appellate Division, First Department held an investiture ceremony for Presiding Justice Dianne T. Renwick.

Governor Kathy Hochul delivered remarks and administered the oath of office as Justice Renwick's husband, Hon. Robert T. Johnson (Justice of the Supreme Court and former Bronx County DA), held the Bible. Chief Judge Rowan D. Wilson also delivered remarks and spoke of Justice Renwick's "intelligence, compassion, and determination."

Justice Renwick—the first woman of color ever to hold the position in the 130-year history of the First Department (and in any Department of the Appellate Division in the state)—said it was a "distinct honor and privilege" to serve as Presiding Justice and stated her aim to continue the court's "tradition of excellence in a balanced way, with integrity, equal and fair treatment of all people who come before our court, without prejudice."

Justice Sallie Manzanet-Daniels emceed the event, which was attended by members of Justice Renwick's family, UCS administrators, including Chief Administrative Judge Joseph A. Zayas and First Deputy Chief Administrative Judge Norman St. George, and UCS judges and non-judicial staff. To view a video recording of the event, please [click here](#).



(From left to right: Associate Justice Sallie-Manzanet Daniels, Governor Kathy Hochul, Presiding Justice Dianne T. Renwick, and Chief Judge Rowan D. Wilson.)



(Gov. Kathy Hochul administers the oath of office to Presiding Justice Dianne T. Renwick. Justice Renwick's husband, Hon. Robert T. Johnson, holds the Bible.)



(Gov. Kathy Hochul congratulates Presiding Justice Dianne T. Renwick after administering the oath of office. Justice Renwick's husband, Hon. Robert T. Johnson, at center.)



(From left to right: Associate Justice Sallie Manzanet-Daniels, Gov. Kathy Hochul, and Presiding Justice Dianne T. Renwick. Chief Judge Rowan D. Wilson, not pictured, sat to Justice Renwick's left.)



(From left to right: Associate Justice Sallie-Manzanet Daniels, Governor Kathy Hochul, Presiding Justice Dianne T. Renwick, and Chief Judge Rowan D. Wilson.)



(Presiding Justice Dianne T. Renwick listens as Associate Justice Sallie Manzanet-Daniels delivers remarks. Chief Judge Rowan D. Wilson at right.)