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Patricia Herlihy Appointed as Chief Clerk of the Suffolk County Family Court

CENTRAL ISLIP, NY – Suffolk County's District Administrative Judge, H. Patrick Leis III, is pleased to announce the appointment of Patricia Herlihy as the Chief Clerk of the Suffolk County Family Court.

In this position, Ms. Herlihy will have the responsibility of supervising the clerical and professional personnel assigned to the Family Court. In addition, she will be responsible for preparing the court's annual budget request, serving as a liaison with other agencies that interact with the Family Court and advising the

Supervising Judge on court administration policies and procedures.

According to Justice Leis, "Since becoming Administrative Judge, it has been my privilege to work very closely with Ms. Herlihy in her capacity as the Outreach Coordinator and Deputy Chief Clerk of the Supreme Court. It is my strong belief that the invaluable experience which Ms. Herlihy has gained over the years in the area of court operations and her firm belief in treating everyone with dignity and respect will serve her well as she takes on the leadership duties of this important position within our courts."

Patricia Herlihy brings a wealth of experience to this position, gained in over thirty-one (31) years of service in the court system. She began her career in the personnel office of the District Court of Suffolk County in 1974. Between 1978 and 1991 Ms. Herlihy worked in the District Administrative Judge's Office, the Family Court and the District Court. In 1991 she was appointed Deputy Chief Clerk of the District Court. Since 1996, she has served in that capacity in the County and Supreme Courts. During the period 1999 until 2004, she also served with distinction as the Suffolk County Courts Outreach Coordinator.

The appointment is effective May 19, 2005.

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