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Hon. Molly Fitzgerald Named Administrative Judge of Sixth Judicial District

NEW YORK — Chief Administrative Judge Lawrence K. Marks today designated Hon. Molly Reynolds Fitzgerald as Administrative Judge of the Sixth Judicial District, which encompasses the trial courts in Broome, Chemung, Chenango, Cortland, Delaware, Madison, Otsego, Schuyler, Tioga and Tompkins counties. The appointment was made with the approval of Chief Judge Janet DiFiore after consultation with Presiding Justice Karen K. Peters of the Appellate Division, Third Department. Judge Fitzgerald replaces Hon. Robert C. Mulvey, who has been named to the Appellate Division, Third Department.

Chief Administrative Judge Marks said, “Judge Fitzgerald is a talented judge who understands the evolving role of the courts in modern society and possesses the experience, knowledge and leadership to take on the many challenges of this important administrative position. I look forward to working with her in her new capacity.”

Judge Marks added, “We owe a tremendous debt of gratitude to Judge Mulvey for his effective stewardship of the Sixth Judicial District during his six and a half years as Administrative Judge. I congratulate him on his appointment to the appellate bench and am pleased that the Judiciary will continue to benefit from his considerable expertise.”

Judge Fitzgerald was elected to the State Supreme Court in the Sixth Judicial District in 2007, most recently sitting in Broome and Delaware counties. She previously sat in Schuyler County and has also handled cases in other counties comprising the Sixth Judicial District. She is a native of Binghamton, New York, and prior to her ascension to the bench was a partner in the Binghamton law firm of Smyk & Fitzgerald, LLP. After beginning her legal career in Georgia, she returned to New York in 1990, serving as an associate in the Elmira law firm of Ziff, Weiermiller & Hayden. She relocated to Binghamton in 1995, initially working as a litigator at Vitanza, Aaron & Fitzgerald. Judge Fitzgerald earned her Juris Doctor from the Catholic University of America, Columbus School of Law.

Her appointment is effective immediately.

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