

Jl Groundbreaking 2024

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It is a delight to be with all of you to talk about the 20th anniversary of the New York State Judicial Institute, or the Ji as we like to call it.

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The Institute for me was not only a magnificent building, a place of exceptional learning, but also a concept, a place to have greater intense education for the judges and the non judicial personnel of the court system.

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I remember coming over to the PACE campus on that cold day on October 2nd, 2001.

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Many people were already gathered awaiting the arrival of Governor Pataki, Chief Judge Kay, then Chief Administrative Judge Lippmann and many other local officials.

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With shovels in hand, they broke the ground for the start of construction for what is now the Judicial Institute.

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The level of education received at the Ji is elevated every year and evolved with the changing society.

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It was such an honor to serve as the Judicial Institute's Vice Dean and to play a part in the development of what it is today.

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The Judicial Institute has seen vast changes in how we deliver programming.

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We have moved from in person to mostly fully online learning.

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Well, I'm proud to have been part of the Ji over the years and I am confident that they will continue to provide the type of training and instruction, an opportunity for judges to learn and enhance their professional status.

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Hi, I'm Forrest Anderson, Dean of the Elizabeth Howe School of Law at Pace University.

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And I'd just like to say happy 20th anniversary to the New York State Judicial Institute.

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You've been a great neighbor and a great partner over the years in everything from the Journal of Court Innovation to the New York LEO program.

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We've worked together to bring Pace faculty and students together with judges and court administrators to really push forward the case for legal education, judicial education, ethics and justice.

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It's been a great partnership, and I'm looking forward to working even more with the new Dean Judge Kathie Davidson in the future.

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We even had a program before our opening day of May 5th and IDV was our first program and from that program we learned what we needed to have a successful event.

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In October 2001 was a ground breaking ceremony for the Ji and it opened the doors in May 2003.

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Over the next year we will celebrate 20 years of premier education and training as we look forward to continuing new legacy for the next 20 years.

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Welcome to the Judicial Institute.

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Thank you.