

Appellate Division, Second Judicial Department gets a new Presiding Justice and four Associate Justices

The Appellate Division, Second Judicial Department is pleased to announce the appointment by Governor Andrew M. Cuomo of its very own Associate Justice [Hector D. LaSalle](#) as the Presiding Justice of the Court. PJ LaSalle was elected to the Supreme Court in the Tenth Judicial District in 2009 and served on the Appellate Term for the Ninth and Tenth Judicial Districts from May 2012 until his designation as Associate Justice of the Appellate Division, Second Judicial Department in February of 2014. He is a proud graduate of the University of Michigan Law School and Penn State, and hails from Suffolk County. We are so pleased to have such a hard-working and dedicated jurist leading our Court.

We are also pleased to announce that Governor Cuomo has filled four vacancies on the Court with the appointments of Supreme Court Justices [Joseph A. Zayas](#), who currently serves as the Administrative Judge for Criminal Matters in Queens County, , [Lara J. Genovesi](#), of Kings County, [William G. Ford](#) of Suffolk County, and [Deborah Dowling](#), also of Kings County. We warmly welcome these experienced justices to the Second Department fold!