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**CHIEF JUSTICE APPOINTS NEW CHIEF JUDGE OF THE APPELLATE COURT**

Chief Justice Chase T. Rogers announced today that she is appointing Appellate Court Judge Alexandra D. DiPentima as Chief Judge of the Appellate Court, effective immediately. Judge DiPentima will succeed Judge Joseph P. Flynn, who elected to take senior status effective March 26, 2010.

“Judge DiPentima is an excellent jurist, and will be an effective and energetic chief judge of the Appellate Court. She has been a judge since 1993 and her experience on the bench will serve the state of Connecticut well,” Chief Justice Rogers said.

Judge DiPentima is currently the chairperson of the *Public Service and Trust Commission*, which developed the Judicial Branch’s first-ever strategic plan. “She has played a critical role in not only the development of the strategic plan, but also in ensuring that it is implemented.” Chief Justice Rogers said. “Her intimate knowledge of the plan and its goals for the Connecticut court system will be of invaluable assistance to her in carrying out the responsibilities as the chief judge of the Appellate Court.”

Chief Justice Rogers also expressed her thanks to Judge Flynn for his more than 24 years of service as a judge. “Judge Flynn has had a long and distinguished career as a judge, lawyer, and legislator. His career exemplifies his commitment to public service. He has been a good friend to me, and I will miss his counsel. I wish him all the best in his retirement,” Chief Justice Rogers said.

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## **2-2-2-2 Chief Judge of the Appellate Court**

A Kent native, Judge DiPentima graduated from Princeton University and the University of Connecticut School of Law. From 1979 to 1981, Judge DiPentima worked as a staff attorney for Connecticut Legal Services Inc., representing low-income people in domestic and housing disputes. In 1981, she joined the Hartford law firm of Moller, Horton & Fineberg, P.C., and in 1985 she became a principal in the firm. In November 1993, she was appointed as a Superior Court judge and 10 years later, she was sworn in as a judge of the Appellate Court.

During her tenure on the bench, Judge DiPentima also has served on the Rules Committee and the Judicial Education Committee. In addition, she served as president of the Connecticut Judges Association from 2001 to 2002.

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