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## **Supervising Judges Named Upstate and in Long Island**

**NEW YORK**—Chief Administrative Judge Joseph A. Zayas today announced the appointments of Hon. Christina Ryba as Supervising Judge of the Supreme Courts for the Third Judicial District; Hon. Mary M. Farley as Supervising Judge of the Supreme Courts for the Fourth Judicial District; Hon. Danielle M. Fogel as Supervising Judge of the Supreme Courts for the Fifth Judicial District; and in Long Island’s Tenth Judicial District, Hon. Jeffrey Goodstein as Supervising Judge of the Supreme Court in Nassau County and Hon. Thomas Whelan as Supervising Judge of the Supreme Court in Suffolk County. The appointments were made with the approval of the Chief Judge and in consultation with the Presiding Justices of the Appellate Division in the respective Judicial Departments, the First Deputy Chief Administrative Judge and the Deputy Chief Administrative Judge for Courts Outside New York City.

“We are fortunate to have five such outstanding candidates to fill these important judicial positions. Along with their judicial expertise, vast legal knowledge and rigorous work ethic, they are widely admired for their fairness, keen judgment and leadership and will be assets to their respective Judicial Districts. I look forward to working with them in their new capacity,” said Chief Administrative Judge Zayas.

Supervising Judge Ryba’s district includes Albany, Columbia, Greene, Rensselaer, Schoharie, Sullivan and Ulster counties; Supervising Judge Farley’s district encompasses Clinton, Essex, Franklin, Fulton, Hamilton, Montgomery, Saratoga, Schenectady, St. Lawrence, Warren and Washington counties; and Supervising Judge Fogel’s district comprises Herkimer, Jefferson, Lewis, Oneida, Onondaga and Oswego counties. The Supervising Judges will oversee all civil case operations, with Hon. Cheryl Joseph continuing in her role as Supervising Judge of the Suffolk County Supreme Court’s Matrimonial Parts.

The appointments are effective immediately.

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