
**New York State
Lawyer Assistance Trust**



**Judge Advisory Panel
2007**



ON BEHALF OF THE NEW YORK STATE LAWYER ASSISTANCE TRUST,
Chief Judge Judith S. Kaye appointed this Judge Advisory
Panel to help develop a program –

- to effectively educate judges about the signs and symptoms of substance abuse and mental health problems in the lawyers who appear before them, and about the resources available; and
- to assist judges who may be chemically dependent, depressed or have other mental health conditions that may impair judicial independence/competence and to raise awareness of the resources for addressing those problems.

—David R. Pfalzgraf, *Chair*

April, 2007

LAWYER ASSISTANCE TRUST JUDGE ADVISORY PANEL

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Hon. John C. Rowley

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Judicial Offices

- Judge, County Court, Tompkins County (Multi-Bench, County, Family/Surrogate), Elected, 2001 to 2010
- Judge, Ithaca City Court, 1996 to 2000

Other Professional Experience

Tompkins County D.S.S., Counsel, 1991 to 1995

Admission to the Bar

NYS, Appellate Division, Fourth Department, 1988

Education

J.D., State University of New York at Buffalo School of Law, 1987
B.A., Cornell University, 1982

Professional & Civic Activities

Trustee, New York State Lawyer Assistance Trust
Chair, NYLAT Judge Advisory Panel, 2007
Chair, NY Association of Drug Treatment Court Professionals, 2007
Executive Committee Member, Criminal Justice Section, NYSBA
Board member



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Judicial Offices

- Supervising Judge, Housing Court, 2000 to Present
- Judge, Housing Court, 1997 to Present

Other Professional Experience

Corporation Counsel, Assistant Corporation Counsel, 1986 to 1987
Teacher, 1973 to 1986

Admission to the Bar

NYS, Appellate Division, Second Department, 1987

Education

J.D., Fordham University Law School, 1986
M.A., New York University, 1974
B.A., Hamilton College, 1971



Hon. David S. Gideon

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Judicial Offices

- Town Justice, Town of DeWitt, 2000 to Present
- Acting City Court Judge, Syracuse, 2001 to 2007

Other Professional Experience

Principal Law Clerk, Hon. James C. Tormey, Administrative Judge
Private Practice, Syracuse

Admission to the Bar

New York State, 1984
United States District Court, NDNY, 1984

Education

J.D., Western New England School of Law, 1982
B.S., Syracuse University, 1979

Professional and Civic Activities

Town & Village Justice Education, Senior Faculty Member
Onondaga County Magistrates' Association, President, 2004
Onondaga County Youth Court, Board Member and Instructor
Dewitt Community Library, Board Member, 2005 to 2007
Onondaga County Bar Association, Member

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Judicial Offices

- Supreme Court Justice, Queens County, 2003 to 2016
- Judge, Civil Court of the City of New York, Queens County, 2001 to 2002

Other Professional Experience

NYS Supreme Court, Principal Law Clerk to Justices Joscelyn E. Smith and Frederick D. R. Sampson
NYC Civil Court, Law Assistant to Judge Albert J. Grant
Staff Attorney, Queens Legal Services

Admission to the Bar

NYS, Appellate Division, Second Department, 1983

Education

J.D., Hofstra University School of Law
B.S., John Jay College of Criminal Justice

Professional & Civic Activities

Co-Chair, Nominating Committee, WBASNY
Member, Queens College Paralegal Advisory Board
Former President and Board of Directors of the Association of Black Women Attorneys
Former Chair of Women in the Law Committee for Queens County Bar Association
First African-American President of the Queens County Women's Bar Association
Member, Queens County Women's Bar Association; Association of Black Women Attorneys, Queens County Bar Association, Macon B. Allen Black Bar Association and Judicial Friends



Hon. Robert G. M. Keating

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Judicial Offices

- Dean, NYS Judicial Institute
- NYS Supreme Court, Administrative Judge for Brooklyn & Staten Island
- NYS Court of Claims, 1987
- Administrative Judge of NYC Criminal Court, 1984
- Supervising Judge, Brooklyn & Staten Island
- Criminal Court Judge

Other Professional Experience

Pace Law School, Distinguished Scholar in Residence & Adjunct Professor for the Judicial Extern Program
NYC Coordinator of Criminal Justice, 1980 to 1982
Brooklyn District Attorney's Office; Chief Assistant DA, Assistant DA Legal Aid Society
Private Practice

Education

J.D., Duke University
B.A., Georgetown University

Professional & Civic Activities

Mayor's Advisory Committee on the Judiciary, Vice Chair
Fund for the City of New York, Board Member
Criminal Justice Agency, Board Member



Hon. Tanya Kennedy

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Judicial Offices

- Judge, Civil Court of the City of New York, New York County, Elected, 2006 to 2015

Other Professional Experience

NYS Supreme Court, Appellate Division, Second Department, Principal Law Clerk to Justice Barry A. Cozier, 2002 to 2005
NYS Supreme Court, Commercial Division, New York County, Principal Law Clerk to Justice Barry A. Cozier, 1999 to 2002
Office of the Corporation Counsel, New York City Law Department, 1992 to 1999

Admission to the Bar

NYS, Appellate Division, Second Department, 1993

Education

J.D., Cardozo School of Law, 1992
B.A., Penn State University, 1989

Professional & Civic Activities

Member, NYS Bar Association
Member, New York City Bar
Member, Association of Black Women Attorneys
Board Member, Metropolitan Black Bar Association
Board Member, NAACP, Mid Manhattan Chapter
Member, Executive Committee, Cardozo School of Law Alumni Association



Hon. Anthony F. Marano

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Judicial Offices

- Administrative Judge, Tenth Judicial District, Nassau County Courts, 2004 to Present
- Supervising Judge of the Matrimonial Parts, Nassau County, 2000 to 2003
- Supreme Court Justice, Nassau County, Elected, 10th Judicial District, 2000 to Present
- Supreme Court Justice, Nassau County, 1999 to 1999
- Judge, District Court, Nassau County, Elected, 10th Judicial District, 1992 to 1998

Other Professional Experience

Private Practice, 1970 to 1992

Admission to the Bar

NYS, Appellate Division, Second Department, 1970

Education

J.D., St. John's University School of Law, 1969
B.A., St. John's University, Brooklyn, NY, 1966



Hon. George D. Marlow

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Judicial Offices

- Associate Justice, Appellate Division, First Department, 2001;
Re-designated 2005

Other Professional Experience

NYS Supreme Court Justice, 9th Judicial District, 2000 to date;
Dutchess County Court Judge, 1993 to 1999; Family Court Judge,
1984 to 1992; Acting Supreme Court Justice, 1987 to 1988 and
Kings, 1987

Town of Poughkeepsie Justice, 1980 to 1983

Confidential Law Clerk to Hon. Albert M. Rosenblatt, 1976 to 1979

Admission to the Bar

NYS, Appellate Division, Fourth Department, 1978

U.S. District Court, Western District of New York, 1978

Education

Masters of Judicial Studies: University of Nevada, Reno and
National Judicial College, 1997

J.D., St. John's University Law School, 1966

B.A., St. Lawrence University, Graduated with Distinction, 1963

Professional & Civic Activities

NYS Advisory Committee on Judicial Ethics, Co-Chair, 1996 to Present;
Member, 1987 to Present; Commission to Foster Public Confidence in NYS
Elected Judges and the Electoral Process, Member, 2003 to Present; NYS
Commission on Fiduciary Appointments, 2000 to Present; Special Advisory,
American Bar Association, Standing Committee on Judicial Independence:
Working Group on the First Amendment and Judicial Campaigns, 2002 to
Present; Board of Directors, St. John's University School of Law, Member,
2005 to Present Committee to Promote Gender Fairness in the Courts, 9th
Judicial District: Member, 1998 to 2001; Dutchess Co. Bar Association
Endowment Fund, Chair, 1995 to Present; NY Bar Foundation, Fellow, 2004
to Present; American Bar Association, Member, 2002 to Present; NYS Bar
Association, House of Delegates, 1992 to 1994; Member, 1967 to Present;
NYS Supreme Court Judges Association, 2000 to Present



Hon. James A. W. McLeod

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Judicial Offices

- City Court Judge, Buffalo City Court, 1999 to 2008

Other Professional Experience

NYS Supreme Court Justice Samuel L. Green, 8th Jud. Dist, Confidential Law Clerk
Buffalo Legal Aid Bureau, Inc., Administrator
Dayle, Diebold, Birmingham, Gorman & Braun, Associate
Erie County, Second Assistant County Attorney
Erie County Family Court, Hearing Examiner

Admission to the Bar

NYS, Appellate Division, Fourth Department, 1975

Education

J.D., Buffalo University School of Law
B.A., S.U.C. Fredonia
A.A., Herkimer Community College



Hon. John B. Nesbitt

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Judicial Offices

- Judge, County Court, Wayne County Court (Multi-bench, County, Surrogate's, Family), Elected, 2001 to 2010

Other Professional Experience

Nesbitt and William, LLP

Admission to the Bar

NYS, Appellate Division, Fourth Department, 1978

Education

J.D., Syracuse University School of Law
B.A., St. Lawrence University



Hon. John M. Owens

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Judicial Offices

- Supreme Court Justice, Monroe County, Elected, Seventh Judicial District, 2005 to 2019

Other Professional Experience

Monroe County Surrogate's Court, Principal Law Clerk, 2000 to 2005
Private Practice, 1980 to 2000
Monroe County Sheriff's Department, 1978 to 1980

Admission to the Bar

NYS, Appellate Division, Fourth Department, 1978
U.S. District Court, Western District of New York, 1978

Education

JD, South Texas College of Law, 1977
BA, SUNY at Fredonia, 1973

Professional & Civic Activities

Coach, CYO High School basketball
Member, NYS Bar Association
Member, Monroe County Bar Association
Member, Bishop's Pastoral Planning Committee
Legal Advisor, Not-for-Profit Corporations
Legal Advisor, Youth Athletic Association



Hon. Sheryl L. Parker

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Judicial Offices

- Criminal Court Judge, Acting JSC (NYC), Red Hook Community Justice Center, 1999 to Present

Other Professional Experience

NYC Dept. of Investigation, Deputy Commissioner, 1986 to 1989
NYC Department of Finance, Assistant Commissioner, 1984 to 1986
New York County, Assistant District Attorney, 1977 to 1984

Admission to the Bar

NYS, Appellate Division, First Department, 1978

Education

J.D., St. John's University School of Law
M.B.A., Pace University Graduate School of Business Administration
University of Vermont

Professional & Civic Activities

Member, Association of the Bar of the City of New York
Member, National Association of Women Judges
Member, Association of the Judges of the Criminal Court of the City of New York



Hon. Karen K. Peters

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Judicial Offices

- Appellate Division, Third Department, Justice; appointed 1994
- First woman elected Supreme Court Judge in Third Department, 1992
- Family County Court, Ulster County, 1983

Other Professional Experience

Director, State Assembly Government Operations Committee, 1983
Counsel, State Division of Alcoholism & Alcohol Abuse, 1979 to 1983
Assistant District Attorney, Ulster County
Private Practice

Admission to the Bar

NYS, Appellate Division, Third Department, 1973

Education

J.D., New York University School of Law, 1972
BA, George Washington University, 1969

Professional & Civic Activities

Assistant Professor, SUNY New Paltz



Hon. A. Gail Prudenti

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Judicial Offices

- Presiding Justice, Appellate Division, Second Judicial Dept., 2002 to Present
- Associate Justice, Appellate Division, Second Judicial Dept., 2001 to 2002
- District Administrative Judge, Suffolk County, 1999 to 2001
- Justice, Supreme Court, Tenth Judicial District, elected, 2001 to Present
- Judge of the Surrogate's Court, Suffolk County, elected 1995 to 2000
- Acting Justice, Supreme Court, 1996 to 2000
- Justice, Supreme Court, Tenth Judicial District, elected, 1992 to 1994

Other Professional Experience

Private Practice, 1982 to 1991

District Attorney's Office, Suffolk County, A.D.A., 1980 to 1982

Surrogate's Court, Suffolk County, Law Clerk, 1978 to 1980

Admission to the Bar

New York State, 1980

U.S. District Court, Eastern District of New York, 1980

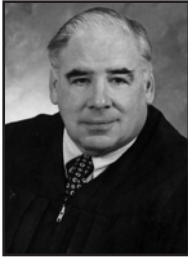
Education

L.L.B., University of Aberdeen, Aberdeen, Scotland, U.K., 1978

B.A., Marymount College, 1974

Professional & Civic Activities

Council of Chief Judges of the American Bar Association, 2003 to Present
Member, Executive Committee, 2004 to Present; Chief Judge's Com'n
on Public Access to Court Records, 2002 to Present; Chief Judge's Task
Force on Delay in the Courts, 1997 to Present; Chief Administrative Judge's
Judicial Legislative Group, 1997 to 2002; OCA's Gender Bias and Anti-
Discrimination Panel, 1992 to Present; Suffolk County Bar Association,
1978 to Present; Suffolk County Women's Bar Association, 1990 to Present;
Judicial Section, New York State Bar Association; Member, Nominating
Committee, 2005; Fellow of the New York Bar Foundation, 2000 to Present;
New York State Trial Lawyers, 1992 to Present; Ass'n of Justices of the
Supreme Court of New York, 1992 to Present; American Justinian Society
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Judicial Offices

- Supreme Court Justice, Elected, 4th Judicial District, 2000 to 2014
- Family Court Judge, Schenectady County, Elected, 1985 to 2000
- Judge, Town of Niskayuna, Elected, 1977 to 1984

Other Professional Experience

Schenectady County, Assistant District Attorney, 1971 to 1977
Englert Reilly & McHugh, Partner, 1970 to 1984
Law Office of William J. Quinn, Associate, 1967 to 1970
City of Schenectady, City Court Clerk

Admission to the Bar

NYS, Appellate Division, Third Department, 1967
United States District Court Northern District of New York, 1969

Education

A.B., College of the Holy Cross, 1964
J.D., Albany Law School, 1967



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Judicial Offices

- Administrative Judge, 8th Judicial District, 2003 to Present
- Supreme Court Justice, Erie County, Elected, 2004 to 2017
- Supervising Judge, Family Court, 8th Judicial District, 1996 to 2002
- Acting Justice, Supreme Court, Erie County, 1996 to 2002
- Judge, Family Court, Erie County, Elected, 1992 to 2003
- Justice, Williamsville Village Court, Elected, 1985 to 1991

Other Professional Experience

Hodgson, Russ, Andrews, Woods & Goodyear, 1989 to 1991
Medaille College, Adjunct Professor, 1998
Siegel, Kelleher & Kahn, Associate Attorney, 1981 to 1987
Erie County Department of Social Services Office of Counsel
Erie County Family Court, Court Clerk, 1979 to 1980

Admission to the Bar

NYS, Appellate Division, Fourth Department, 1980

Education

J.D., University of Connecticut School of Law, 1979
B.A., University of Rochester, 1976

Professional & Civic Activities

Member, Chair, 1999 to 2003, NYS OCA Family Court Advisory and Rules Committee, 1993 to 2003; Member, Permanent Judicial Com'n on Justice for Children, 1995 to Present; Board of Directors, The American Jewish Committee, Buffalo/Niagara Chapter, 2001 to Present; Member, Model Court Lead Judge, Board of Trustees, July 2002 to Present, National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges, 1998 to Present; Member, Western New York Chapter Women's Bar Association of New York, 1986 to Present; Member (President 1983 to 1984), Women Lawyers of Western New York, 1981 to Present; "M. Dolores Denman Lady Justice Award", Women's Bar Association of the State of New York, Western NY Chapter, 2005 ; "Women Making History in Erie County", National Women's History Month, 2004 ; Outstanding Jurist of the Year, Erie County Bar Association, 2001 ; "Susan B. Anthony Award", Interclub Council of Western New York, 2006 ; Member, Erie County Bar Association, 1989 to Present



Hon. Thomas M. VanStrydonck

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Judicial Offices

- Administrative Judge, Seventh Judicial District, 2000 to Present
- Supreme Court Justice, Seventh Judicial District, Elected, 1999 to 2013
- Supreme Court Justice, 1998 to 1999

Other Professional Experience

Trevett, Lenweaver & VanStrydonck, Partner, 1979 to 1998
Monroe County District Attorney, Trial Lawyer, 1974 to 1982

Admission to the Bar

NYS, Appellate Division, Fourth Department, 1974
United States District Court, Western District of New York, 1976
United States Court of Appeals, Second Circuit, 1986

Education

J.D., State University at Buffalo School of Law, 1973
B.S., University of Windsor, Ontario, Canada, 1962

Professional & Civic Activities

Monroe County Bar Association, Member (President 1988 to 1989),
1975 to Present
New York State Bar Association Member (House of Delegates 1987
to 1990), 1979 to Present





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