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Judge April Perry Sworn in as U.S. District Judge

Chicago, Ill. – Today in a private ceremony, April Perry was sworn in as the newest district court judge on the federal bench in Chicago.

“We are pleased to welcome Judge Perry to the Northern District of Illinois bench. Her background in public service and private practice will make her uniquely qualified to hit the ground running. She will be a great addition to the bench,” said Chief Judge Virginia M. Kendall.

Just prior to joining the bench, Judge Perry served as Senior Counsel, Global Investigations and Fraud and Abuse Prevention, at GE HealthCare. Prior to this position, Judge Perry was the General Counsel for Ubiety Technologies from 2019 to 2022. From 2017 to 2019, Judge Perry served as the Chief Deputy State’s Attorney and Chief Ethics Officer for the Cook County State’s Attorney’s Office. Judge Perry previously served as an Assistant U.S. Attorney in the U.S. Attorney’s Office for the Northern District of Illinois from 2004 to 2016. She held numerous leadership positions in that office including Supervisory Litigation Counsel from 2011 to 2016, Project Safe Childhood Coordinator from 2010 to 2016, Civil Rights and Hate Crimes Coordinator from 2014 to 2016, and Deputy Chief in Narcotics and Gangs from 2010 to 2011. Judge Perry served as a law clerk to Judge Joel M. Flum of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit from 2003 to 2004. Judge Perry received both her undergraduate and law degrees from Northwestern University.

On July 11, 2024, President Joe Biden nominated Judge Perry to serve as a United States District Judge, and on September 19, 2024, her nomination was sent to the Senate. She was confirmed by the Senate on November 23, 2024. Judge Perry fills the seat vacated by Judge Nancy Maldonado, who was elevated to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit.

Judge Perry will serve in Chambers 1725 and Courtroom 1764 in Dirksen U.S. Courthouse. A public swearing ceremony will be held in the future.

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