

## **Chief Justice Welcomes New Circuit Judge**

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CHARLESTON, W.Va. – On Wednesday, Supreme Court Chief Justice Evan Jenkins welcomed Stacy Lynn Nowicki-Eldridge to the judiciary after Gov. Jim Justice appointed her to the Twenty-Fifth Judicial Circuit (Boone and Lincoln Counties).

"I congratulate Stacy Nowicki-Eldridge on her appointment to the circuit bench," said Chief Justice Jenkins. "I, along with the other members of the Court, have worked closely with her in her role as the Deputy General Counsel for the West Virginia Department of Homeland Security and know how qualified she is for this new position. We look forward to having her serve as a judge in Boone and Lincoln Counties."

Ms. Nowicki-Eldridge graduated in in 1996 from West Virginia University and in 1999 from the University of Pittsburgh School of Law.

She has practiced law in West Virginia for 20 years, mostly as an Assistant Attorney General for the West Virginia Attorney General's Office, General Counsel for the West Virginia Division of Corrections, and currently as Deputy General Counsel for the West Virginia Department of Homeland Security.

She has also served as a judicial clerk, an Assistant Prosecuting Attorney in Hancock County, and an Assistant Public Defender for the First Judicial Circuit in Wheeling.

Nowicki-Eldridge and her family live in Lincoln County.

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