

**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA COMMISSION
ON JUDICIAL DISABILITIES AND TENURE**

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RESOLUTION

The members and staff of the District of Columbia Commission on Judicial Disabilities and Tenure hereby acknowledge the extraordinary contributions of Jeannine C. Sanford, Esq. to the service of the Commission and, by extension, the courts of the District of Columbia and the citizens of the District of Columbia. The Commission and its members are deeply appreciative and sincerely grateful for her longstanding and selfless voluntary service.

Jeannine was appointed to the Commission in 2012, and served as Vice Chairperson from 2014-2016, and as Chairperson from 2016-2021. She continues to serve on the Commission as an appointee of the D.C. Bar.

Jeannine's contributions to the work of the Commission have been truly extraordinary throughout her tenure. In addition to her added responsibilities while serving as Vice Chairperson and Chairperson, she routinely accepts special assignments, is always available to assist fellow Commission members with specific projects, rarely misses a meeting, and actively participates in the Commission's discussions resulting from her thorough review of all relevant and often voluminous materials. Even more important, she continues to be an important steward of the Commission's mission and the delicate balance that must be struck in assuring judges adhere to the highest ethical standards during their judicial service, while recognizing the complexity, pressures, and sensitivity of matters judges and the courts must manage. Members appreciate Jeannine's thoughtful approach to the weighty matters before the Commission, and her encouragement of all members to fully participate in Commission discussions and deliberations. Jeannine's commitment to the Commission's fulfillment of its statutory duties and responsibilities is unwavering.

Jeannine is always kind, thoughtful, and empathetic to all parties. She rarely has a harsh word to say about anyone. She is gracious in her manner and collaborative in her approach, yet she never hesitates to make difficult decisions. She never loses her sense of humor; she greets everyone with a smile, and is always courteous and respectful to all who appear before the Commission as well as those who seek the Commission's assistance. She is a mentor, a wise sounding board for many Commissioners on complex issues, and savvy in her ability to achieve consensus where views differ. Importantly she is steadfastly appreciative of all members who give so generously of their time to serve on the Commission. Notably, she is a champion of the Commission staff.

Jeannine is to be commended and admired for her continued participation in the Commission's work despite the health challenges she is facing. Her leadership, dedication,

demeanor, and generosity have been vital to the Commission's work over the past ten years. The Commission will remember Jeannine's many contributions for years to come, but takes this opportunity to thank her for a job well done even under the most difficult circumstances, and for service that is truly unmatched. Our gratitude, appreciation, and admiration are beyond measure. The Commission and its members will forever be enriched by her service, wise counsel, leadership, professionalism, collegiality, and friendship.

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