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SCHEDULE

Introduction 8:55 AM

Opening Remarks

Judge Laura A. Cordero, Superior Court for the District of Columbia 9:00 AM

Brief Tech Break 9:15 AM - 9:20 AM

State Trial and Superior Court Panel 9:20 AM – 10:05 AM

Judge Zuberi Bakari Williams, District Court of Maryland, Montgomery County

Judge Wayne A. Brooks, District Court for Howard County, Maryland

Magistrate Judge Kenia Seoane López, Superior Court of D.C.

Moderated by Magistrate Judge Shelly Mulkey

Break-Out Sessions 10:05 AM – 10:20 AM

Federal District Courts Panel 10:20 AM – 11:05 AM

Judge George Hazel, U.S. District Court for the District of Maryland

Judge Theodore Chuang, U.S. District Court for the District of Maryland

Magistrate Judge Zia M. Faruqui, U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia

Moderated by Robbin Lee

Break-Out Sessions 11:05 AM – 11:20 AM

Clerking in a Judge's Chambers - Trial Court 11:20 AM – 12:05 PM

Andrew Wone, former District Court for the District of Columbia law clerk

Erika Suhr, former Superior Court of the District of Columbia and Western District of Tennessee law clerk

Dina Moussa, former United States District Court for the Western District of Washington law clerk and current criminal law clerk to magistrate judges on the United States District Court for the District of Columbia United States District Court for the District of Columbia law clerk

Moderated by Annica Mae Mattus

Break-Out Sessions 12:05 PM – 12:20 PM

Lunch 12:20 PM – 1:00 PM

Administrative and Speciality Courts

1:00 PM – 1:45 PM

Judge Iftikhar Ahmed, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Judge Emmett Soper, Arlington Immigration Court
Judge Sun Choi, Maryland Office of Administrative Hearings

Moderated by Huy Le

Break-Out Sessions

1:45 PM – 2:00 PM

Appellate Courts Panel

2:00 PM – 2:45 PM

Judge Patricia Millett, U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit
Judge Raymond T. Chen, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
Judge Daniel Ortiz, Virginia Court of Appeals

Moderated by Rukku Singla

Break-Out Sessions

2:45 PM – 3:00 PM

Clerking in a Judge's Chamber - Appellate Court

3:00 PM – 3:45 PM

Shayon Ghosh, former U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit law clerk
Dina Mishra, former Supreme Court and U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit law clerk
Aiysha Hussein, former U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit law clerk

Moderated by Cesar Lopez-Morales

Break-Out Sessions

3:45 PM – 4:00 PM

Closing Remarks

4:00 PM

Conversation with former **Magistrate Judge Paul Grewal** and former law clerk **Priya Bhanu**

BIOGRAPHIES

OPENING REMARKS

The Honorable Laura A. Cordero was appointed to the District of Columbia Superior Court in 2005. Judge Cordero was born and raised in Chicago, Illinois, and attended DePaul University in Chicago, Illinois, where she earned a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and a Bachelor of Arts in Mathematics in 1985, with highest honors. She earned her law degree from Harvard Law School in 1988.

Judge Cordero's dedication to public service spans her legal career. Following graduation from law school, she served a two-year term as law clerk to the Honorable James A. Parker of the United States District Court for the District of New Mexico. In 1991, Judge Cordero joined the Department of Justice under the Attorney General's Honor Law Graduate Program, where she was assigned to the Voting Section of the Civil Rights Division. In 1993, Judge Cordero joined the United States Attorney's Office for the District of Columbia. During her twelve-year tenure as an Assistant United States Attorney, she prosecuted a wide variety of criminal cases in the Superior Court for the District of Columbia, the District of Columbia Court of Appeals, the United States District Court for the District of Columbia, and the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit. In

1999, she was assigned as the first Community Prosecutor stationed at the Metropolitan Police Department Third District, as part of the United States Attorney's Office city-wide Community Prosecution Program.

Prior to her appointment to the bench, Judge Cordero was the Executive Assistant United States Attorney for External Affairs. She was responsible for developing, coordinating, and maintaining effective partnerships with federal and local law enforcement, government agencies, and the community in the District of Columbia. She also coordinated an extensive community engagement network, involving a full range of community-based programs and initiatives for youth and adults specifically aimed at reducing violent crime in the District of Columbia.

Judge Cordero currently serves as the Deputy Presiding Judge of the Probate and Tax Division, handling decedent's estates, intervention proceedings, trusts, and tax cases. Judge Cordero has served twice in the Civil Division, most recently (2017 - 2020) as Presiding and Deputy Presiding Judge of the Civil Division. Both during her recent term and in 2010 - 2014, Judge Cordero presided over a broad range of civil suits, including medical malpractice, contracts, and torts. In 2016, she served as the Presiding Judge of the Domestic Violence Unit, while presiding over domestic violence misdemeanors. In 2015, she presided over requests for Civil Protection Orders in domestic violence cases. She has also served in the Family Court, handling cases involving abuse and neglect, adoptions, divorce, custody, child support, juvenile delinquency, juvenile drug court, and involuntary civil commitments for persons diagnosed with mental illness. Judge Cordero currently serves as a faculty member for Harvard Law School's Trial Advocacy Workshop, as a faculty member for the National Institute for Trial Advocacy, and as a Board Member of the Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation.



STATE TRIAL & SUPERIOR COURT PANEL

Distinguished Panelists

The Honorable Zuberi Bakari-Williams

is on a mission to inspire, empower, and provide opportunities for young people of color, women, and different sexual orientations to make the heart of the judicial system better and fairer. At the age of 36, he became one of the youngest judges in Maryland history and has not slowed down one bit.

Since taking the bench, he has won a litany of state and national awards, including the National Bar Association's Top 40 Under 40, the Maryland Daily Record's VIP List of Most successful by 40, the Leadership Center of Excellence's Top 40 Under 40 trailblazers in the DC Metro Area, and is recognized as a Top Leader in the Law in the State of Maryland.



Judge Williams is probably best known by law students for offering one of the most competitive and intense bootcamp summer internships in the nation. He trains law students in the practice of law, developing their scholarship writing, and investing in their futures to change the world. He single-handedly partnered with Microsoft, Facebook, Discovery Channel, and Under Armour, to allow his interns to have authentic conversations with legal decision-makers regarding career paths and learning what excellence looks like to them.

Judge Williams earned his Bachelor of Business Administration degree in Marketing from Texas Christian University (TCU) and received his JD/MBA joint degree from American University's Washington College of Law (WCL) and Kogod School of Business, respectively. He is an Adjunct professor at American University's Washington College of Law and the School of Public Affairs (undergraduate). He served as a judicial law clerk to both Chief Judge Robert M. Bell, Maryland Court of Appeals, and U.S. District Court Judge Gerald Bruce Lee, Eastern District of Virginia. He was an Attorney at Venable LLP and was an Assistant Attorney General for the District of Columbia.



The Honorable Wayne A. Brooks is an Associate Judge in the District Court of Maryland, District 10, Howard County since June 13, 2014. He has served as a member of the Specialty Courts and Dockets Committee and currently serves on the ADR Sub-committee, Civil Law Legislative Sub-committee, and Mental Health, Alcoholism and Addictions Subcommittee. Judicial Council.

His other professional legal positions include the following: United States Army Judge Advocate General's Corps (Captain, 1985-87); Special Assistant U.S. Prosecutor, U.S. Magistrate Court, 1985-86; Associate; Fossett & Brugger, Chartered,

1987-90; Alfred Nancy & Associates, 1990-91; Law Offices of James H. Taylor, P.C., 1991; Hearing Officer, Department of Environmental Resources, Prince George's County, 1991; Assistant Public Defender, Mental Health Division, Howard County, 1991-94; Executive Administrative Law Judge and Deputy Director of Operations, Office of Administrative Hearings, 2001-14 (Administrative Law Judge, 1995-2001).

Judge Brooks earned his Bachelor of Science in Psychology from Howard University and his JD from University of Maryland School of Law.

The Honorable Kenia Seoane López is currently a Magistrate Judge in the Superior Court of the District of Columbia. Before being appointed as a Magistrate Judge in 2012 she served as a Bilingual Attorney Negotiator in the Domestic Violence Division of the District of Columbia Superior Court. Prior to joining the Court, she was an Assistant Attorney General in the Legal Services Section of the Child Support Division in the Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia. Magistrate Judge Seoane Lopez served as a Law Clerk to the Massachusetts Superior Court and the Superior Court of the District of Columbia. She is a 2002 graduate of the University of Wisconsin Law School. In 2002, she also received a Masters of Arts from the University of Wisconsin Graduate School in Latin American, Caribbean, and Iberian Studies. She graduated Cum Laude from Northeastern University in Boston, Massachusetts with a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice. She served as the President of the Hispanic Bar Association of the District of Columbia. Magistrate Judge Seoane López is the current Chair of the Hispanic Bar Association of the District of Columbia Judicial Council.



Moderator



The Honorable Shelly A. Mulkey has served as Magistrate Judge on the D.C. Superior Court since October 31, 2016.

Judge Mulkey received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Sociology from Tulane University and her law degree from the American University, Washington College of Law in 2001. Judge Mulkey is a former Dean's Fellow for Professor David E. Aaronson. Following law school, Judge Mulkey clerked for the Honorable Eric M. Johnson, Sixth Judicial Circuit of Maryland. She was previously an Assistant Attorney General in the Child Support Services Division of the Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia and an associate attorney at the Law Offices of Alice Paré.

Judge Mulkey is currently assigned to the Criminal Division. In the Criminal Division, she handles local criminal matters including arraignments, preliminary hearings, and misdemeanor trials. Previously, Judge Mulkey was assigned to the Family Court, where she handled cases involving child abuse and neglect, adoption, guardianship,

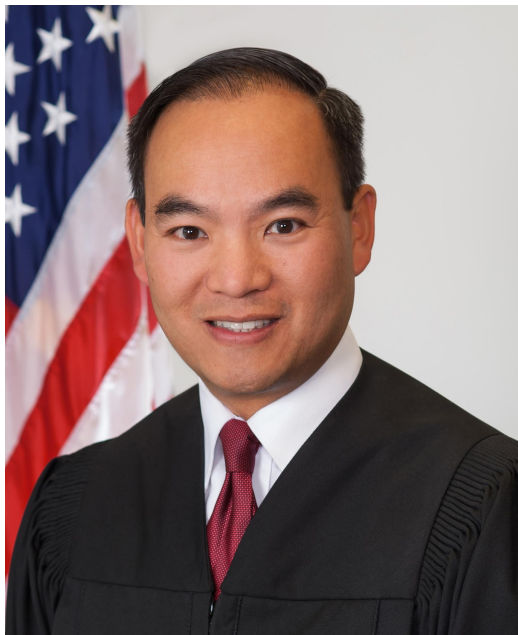
divorce, custody, parentage, child support, and juvenile delinquency. She has also served in the Domestic Violence Division, where she conducted ex parte hearings on petitions requesting temporary protection orders.

Judge Mulkey serves on several D.C. Superior Court committees, including: Committee on Public Education and Court Independence; Committee on Security; and Committee on Criminal Justice Act Panel Attorneys, Continuing Education for Panel Attorneys, and CJA Investigators. She serves as Secretary of the Hispanic Bar Association's Judicial Council. Judge Mulkey previously served as a co-chair of the D.C. Superior Court's education working group, participated on the D.C. Superior Court's Committee on Abuse & Neglect Proceedings, D.C. Superior Court's Committee on Paternity & Support Proceedings, and was a member of the Preparing Youth for Adulthood Committee. Judge Mulkey previously served on the D.C. Child Support Guideline Commission. She is an active member of the Women's Bar Association of the District of Columbia and the Hispanic Bar Association of the District of Columbia, where she mentors attorneys and law students. Judge Mulkey is a former mentor at Mentors, Inc.

FEDERAL DISTRICT COURT PANEL

Distinguished Panelists

The Honorable George J. Hazel was born in Queens, NY in 1975. He graduated from Morehouse College in 1996 and from the Georgetown University Law Center in 1999. Judge Hazel began his legal career at the law firm of Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP in Washington, DC from 1999 to 2004. He served as an Assistant United States Attorney in the District of Columbia from 2005 to 2008 and in the District of Maryland from 2008 to 2010 where he served as Southern Division coordinator for Project EXILE. From 2011 until his appointment to the bench, Judge Hazel served as Chief Deputy State's Attorney for Baltimore, Maryland. On September 25, 2013, President Barack Obama nominated Judge Hazel to serve as a United States District Judge. On May 1, 2014, the United States Senate confirmed his nomination and he received his judicial commission on May 2, 2014.



The Honorable Theodore D. Chuang serves as a United States District Judge for the District of Maryland and sits at the United States Courthouse in Greenbelt, Maryland, near Washington, D.C. Judge Chuang was appointed by President Obama in May 2014 and is the first Asian American Article III federal judge to serve in any of the states within the Fourth Circuit.

Prior to his appointment, Judge Chuang served as Deputy General Counsel of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) from 2011 to 2014 and as Associate General Counsel of DHS from 2009 to 2011. In 2009, he served as Chief Investigative Counsel for the U.S. House of Representatives, Committee on Energy and Commerce. From 2007 to 2009, he served as Deputy Chief Investigative Counsel for the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. From 2004 to 2007, Judge Chuang was in private practice in Washington, D.C. at Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale and Dorr, LLP. From 1998 to 2004, Judge

Chuang served as an Assistant United States Attorney in the Criminal Division of the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Massachusetts. From 1995 to 1998, he served as a trial attorney at the U.S. Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division, in Washington, D.C. Judge Chuang began his legal career as a law clerk to Judge Dorothy W. Nelson of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit.

Throughout his career, Judge Chuang has been active in professional and community organizations. He has served on the Board of Governors of the District of Columbia Bar and is a member of the American Law Institute. He has also served as Chair of the Board of Directors of the Asian Pacific American Legal Resource Center, a legal services organization serving low income, limited English proficient Asian

Americans and immigrants in Maryland and the Washington, D.C. region; as President of the Asian American Lawyers Association of Massachusetts, from which he received the 2018 Founders Award; as President-Elect of the Asian Pacific American Bar Association of the Greater Washington, D.C. Area, from which he received the 2019 Pioneer Award; and as an Advisor to the Board of Directors of the Asian Pacific American Bar Association of Maryland.

Judge Chuang graduated *magna cum laude* from Harvard Law School in 1994, where he was an Editor of the Harvard Law Review and a Finalist in the Ames Moot Court Competition, and received his B.A. *summa cum laude* in Economics from Harvard University in 1991.

The Honorable Zia M. Faruqi has been serving as a federal magistrate judge for the District of Columbia since September 2020. Prior to his appointment, he was a federal prosecutor, first in the United States Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of Missouri and then in the District of Columbia. Over the span of over twelve years of federal service as an AUSA, he prosecuted numerous criminal cases, most recently serving as the lead prosecutor for complex and novel crimes involving, for example, terrorists' use of cryptocurrency, nuclear weapons proliferation, darknet sites dedicated to child exploitation, and antiquities theft. He also litigated over \$700 million in money laundering and asset forfeiture proceedings. As a subject-matter expert, he has presented on cryptocurrency and anti-money laundering issues in conferences spanning from Europe to Asia and the Middle East. Prior to serving as a federal prosecutor, Judge Faruqi worked at a corporate law firm where he focused on government investigations and general commercial litigation. Judge Faruqi is a board member for Jobs for Homeless People, a non-profit that provides housing and vocational training to people in the D.C. metropolitan area. He also served as a Muslim-outreach coordinator for the Department of Justice and as an adjunct professor at Harris-Stowe State University. He received his J.D. and undergraduate degree from Georgetown University.



Moderator



Robbin Lee is a Senior Associate at Arnold & Porter Kaye Scholer LLP. He focuses his practice on civil litigation and securities enforcement matters. Before joining the firm, he served as a law clerk to the Honorable Brian M. Cogan of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York. Prior to clerking, Robbin was a Judge Advocate for six years in the United States Navy, during which time he served as both a military prosecutor and trial defense counsel. He graduated from Notre Dame Law School, where he was the Vice-President of the Asian Law Students Association, and the University of California San Diego.

WORKING IN A JUDGE'S CHAMBERS - TRIAL COURT PANEL

Distinguished Panelists

Andrew Wone is an attorney at the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) in the Bureau of Consumer Protection (BCP). Mr. Wone has investigated the advertising practices of companies, litigated cases in federal and administrative courts, and worked on a rulemaking. He has also worked in the BCP Director's office, advising the Director on cases involving data security, privacy, financial, and marketing practices. Mr. Wone has received two BCP Director's Awards, and was selected by the FTC to participate in the Partnership for Public Service's Excellence in Government leadership development program. Mr. Wone previously worked as a law clerk for the Honorable Richard W. Roberts, United States District Court for the District of Columbia. He graduated with a B.S. from Cornell University and a J.D., magna cum laude, from the University of Illinois College of Law.



Erika Suhr received her B.S. in Political Science in 2015 and M.S. in Applied American Politics and Policy in 2016 from Florida State University. She received her J.D. from Georgetown University Law Center in 2019. After graduating, Erika served as a law clerk for the Honorable Marisa J. Demeo of the D.C. Superior Court and the Honorable S. Thomas Anderson of the Western District of Tennessee. In 2021, she returned to D.C. and joined the Criminal Enforcement Section of the DOJ's Tax Division through the Attorney General's Honors Program.

Dina Moussa currently serves as the Judicial Criminal Law Clerk for Magistrate Judges G. Michael Harvey, Robin M. Meriweather, and Zia M. Faruqui of the United States District Court for the District of Columbia. Prior to this role, Ms. Moussa served as a Judicial Law Clerk to the Honorable Barbara J. Rothstein of the United States District Court for the Western District of Washington. Before clerking, Ms. Moussa was an associate attorney at Cozen O'Conner, where she focused her practice on white-collar criminal defense, parallel civil proceedings, and internal investigations as well as data privacy and compliance. She also worked at Cozen as a law clerk during her last year of law school. While working full-time, Ms. Moussa received her J.D. with honors from the Georgetown University Law Center, where she was a founding staff member of the Georgetown Technology Law Review, a global teaching fellow on terrorism, extradition, and human rights, and a research assistant and teaching assistant while in law school. She also worked at the U.S. Department of State for four years after receiving her undergraduate degree from Wesleyan University.



Moderator



Annica Mae Mattus is an associate attorney at Lee/Shoemaker PLLC, where she assists design professional clients in construction law. Prior to joining the firm, Ms. Mattus served as a Judicial Law Clerk to the Honorable Brian F. Holeman and the Honorable Jennifer M. Anderson of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia. Ms. Mattus received her J.D. from the American University Washington College of Law, where she was Managing Editor and Symposium Editor of the National Security Law Brief. Ms. Mattus received her B.A. in Political Science from the University of Washington where she was Editor of the Washington Undergraduate Law Review.

ADMINISTRATIVE & SPECIALITY COURT PANEL

Distinguished Panelists

Administrative Patent Judge Iftikhar Ahmed was appointed to the Patent Trial and Appeal Board in 2019. Before joining the Board, Judge Ahmed practiced intellectual property litigation at Akin Gump and Ahmed Zavitsanos Anaipakos in Houston, Texas. Judge Ahmed earned his law degree from the University of Houston Law Center, following which he clerked for Judge T. John Ward of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas and Judge Alan Lourie of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit. At the Board, Judge Ahmed presides over trials relating to patent validity.



The Honorable Emmett Soper was appointed by Attorney General Loretta E. Lynch to begin hearing cases in February 2017. Judge Soper earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1998 from Carleton College and a Juris Doctor in 2005 from the University of Oregon School of Law. From 2012 to January 2017, he served as an associate general counsel for the Office of the General Counsel, Executive Office for Immigration Review (EOIR), Department of Justice (DOJ), in Falls Church, Va. From 2010 through 2012, he served as an attorney advisor for the Office of Legal Policy, DOJ, in Washington, D.C. From 2006 through 2010, he served as an attorney advisor for the Office of the Chief Immigration Judge, EOIR, DOJ, in Falls Church, Va. From 2005 through 2006, he served as a judicial law clerk for the Buffalo Immigration Court, EOIR, DOJ. Judge Soper is a member of the Oregon State Bar.

The Honorable Sun Choi was appointed as an Administrative Law Judge with the Maryland Office of Administrative Hearings, in March 2021. She graduated from the University of Virginia with a B.S., in Commerce and a J.D., from American University, Washington College of Law. Upon graduation, Ms. Choi served as a judicial law clerk to the late Chief Judge Eugene N. Hamilton of D.C. Superior Court in Washington, D.C., and then served as a prosecutor at the State's Attorney's Office for Frederick County, Maryland. Ms. Choi went into private practice and became the founding member and managing partner of DC Metro Law, LLC. Her special appointments from South Korea include: the Ministry of Justice, Legal Research and Training Institute, Research Fellow and Lecturer and Ministry of Gender Equality and Family, Expert Legal Advisor. Ms. Choi has served various bar associations, including: the Asian-Pacific American Bar Association of MD (APABA-MD), former president; Korean-American Bar Association of DC (KABA-DC), former



president; Asian-American Bar Association of DC (APABA-DC), former board member; and National Asian Pacific American Bar Association (NAPABA), former vice president of communications. Ms. Choi is the current pro bono General Counsel of the Council of Korean-Americans.

Moderator



Huy M. Le is a Trial Attorney for the U.S. Department of Justice. He also serves as a Captain and Defense Counsel for the U.S. Army Reserve JAG Corps. Prior to his current positions, Huy clerked for the Kansas City Immigration Court. From 2019-2021, Huy served as a Director for AEF. He received his J.D. from Northeastern University School of Law. Huy is originally from Boston, MA.

FEDERAL & STATE APPELLATE COURT PANEL

Distinguished Panelists

The Honorable Patricia A. Millett was appointed to the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit on December 10, 2013. She graduated from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, summa cum laude, in 1985 and from Harvard Law School, magna cum laude, in 1988. After working in a private law firm (Miller & Chevalier) for two years, she clerked for Judge Thomas Tang of the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. Following her clerkship, she worked for four years on the Appellate Staff of the Civil Division in the United States Department of Justice and for eleven years as an Assistant in the Office of the Solicitor General. In September 2007, she became a leading partner in the Supreme Court and appellate practices at Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP. She has argued 32 cases before the U.S. Supreme Court.



The Honorable Raymond T. Chen was appointed to the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit by President Barack H. Obama in 2013, confirmed by the Senate on August 1, 2013 and assumed his office on August 5, 2013.

Judge Chen served as Deputy General Counsel for Intellectual Property Law and Solicitor at the United States Patent and Trademark Office from 2008 to 2013. He was an Associate Solicitor in that office from 1998 to 2008. From 1996 to 1998, Judge Chen served as a Technical Assistant at the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit. Before joining the court staff, Judge Chen was an associate with Knobbe, Martens, Olson & Bear from 1994 to 1996. Before entering law school, Judge Chen worked as a scientist at the law firm of Hecker & Harriman from 1989 to 1991.

Judge Chen received his J.D. from the New York University School of Law in 1994 and his B.S. in Electrical Engineering from the University of California, Los Angeles in 1990.

The Honorable Daniel Ortiz serves as a Court of Appeals of Virginia judge after being elected September 1, 2021, for an eight-year term. Prior to his current judicial post, Judge Ortiz served as a Fairfax County Circuit Court judge for almost seven years.

Understanding the importance of making the legal system available to everyone, he has shaped his legal career around a commitment to public and community service, even while working in private practice. He first saw the need for a more equitable system when he started his legal career clerking for



the Honorable M. Langhorne Keith at the Fairfax County Circuit Court. At the conclusion of his clerkship, Judge Ortiz joined Blankingship & Keith, P.C., where he became a shareholder at the firm.

While at Blankingship & Keith, Judge Ortiz chaired the firm's Pro-Bono Committee and dedicated numerous hours to pro bono legal service. During that time, he also worked with Legal Services of Northern Virginia, serving as not only a member of the Board of Directors but also as a president and chairman of the board.

In recognition of his commitment to providing access to the legal system, Judge Ortiz was selected by Chief Justice Lemons to serve on the Virginia Access to Justice Commission. The Access to Justice Commission seeks to promote equal access to justice in Virginia through coordinating, mobilizing, and encouraging legal professionals to provide services to and develop resources for underserved populations. He is a member of the Boyd Graves Conference and its Steering Committee, which seeks to improve the quality of Virginia's civil justice through prioritizing the greater good over private interests.

Judge Ortiz also believes it is important for those in the legal profession to cultivate a new generation of thoughtful and ethical lawyers. He serves as a faculty member of the Virginia State Bar's Harry L. Carrico Professionalism Course, a required class for all newly admitted Virginia attorneys and law school students. Recently he began teaching at George Washington University Law School and hopes to contribute to developing the legal community.

Prior to his service as a judge, Judge Ortiz was an active member in numerous bar-related organizations and committees, including serving as a member of the Board of Governors of the Virginia Bar Association and the Board of Directors of the Fairfax Bar Association. He previously served as a substitute judge in the General District Court and Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court for five years. In 2013, he received a Golden Gavel from the Fairfax Law Foundation, acknowledging his charitable community work. Judge Ortiz also received the Virginia Bar Association's Emerson G. Spies and Sandra P. Thompson Awards for his outstanding work, dedication, and service to the bar association.

Judge Ortiz completed his undergraduate studies at the University of Virginia and received his law degree from the George Washington University Law School.

Moderator



Rukku Singla is the Deputy Director of Policy for the Second Gentleman of the United States, Douglas Emhoff. Previously she was the Special Assistant to Chair Catherine E. Lhamon of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights. Prior to joining the Commission, Rukku served as Deputy Associate Counsel for the Office of Presidential Personnel at the Obama White House, and was an Associate Attorney at Jenner & Block LLP. Rukku clerked for the Hon. Andre M. Davis of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit and the Hon. James G. Carr of the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Ohio. She earned her J.D. from University of Michigan Law School and her B.A. from The Ohio State University. Rukku has served as the Vice President of Gala for the South Asian Bar Association of DC and the Vice President of the Asian Pacific American Bar Association Education Fund (AEF).

CLERKING IN A JUDGE'S CHAMBERS - APPELLATE COURT PANEL

Distinguished Panelists

Shayon Ghosh is an associate at Williams & Connolly LLP. He graduated from the NYU School of Law in 2015. From 2015 to 2016 he clerked for Judges Grewal and Davila of the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California, after which he spent a year working at a patent litigation boutique in New York. Shayon then clerked for Judges O'Malley and Plager on the Federal Circuit from 2017 to 2018 before joining Williams & Connolly in 2018.



Dina Mishra graduated from Harvard College and Yale Law School. She served as a judicial law clerk for Justices Anthony M. Kennedy and John Paul Stevens of the Supreme Court of the United States in October Term 2011 and for Judge Michael Boudin of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit from 2009 to 2010. After her First Circuit clerkship, Ms. Mishra served as an attorney at the U.S. Department of Justice, Civil Division, Appellate Staff from 2010 to 2011. After her Supreme Court clerkship, from 2012 to 2015, Ms. Mishra was an associate and then a senior associate in the appellate and government litigation practice groups at Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale and Dorr LLP. From 2015 to 2016, Ms. Mishra served as a Law Research Fellow at Georgetown University Law Center, where she wrote law-review articles and continued in appellate practice. Beginning in 2016, Ms. Mishra was employed at the U.S. Securities & Exchange Commission (SEC), Office of the General Counsel, Appellate Group in Washington, D.C., where she was a Senior Counsel until she recently departed to rejoin the U.S. Department of Justice in 2021. During 2021, Ms. Mishra served on detail to the SEC's Office of Legislative & Intergovernmental Affairs as Senior Counsel & Senior Advisor to that office's Director. Also in 2021, Ms. Mishra served on detail to the Office of

the General Counsel at the Office of Management & Budget in the Executive Office of the President.

Aiysha Hussein is currently Senior Counsel in the Office of Chief Counsel for Industry and Security at the U.S. Department of Commerce. In her current role, she advises the Bureau of Industry and Security on regulatory, litigation, and enforcement matters. Prior to joining the federal government, she spent several years in private practice at Miller & Chevalier where her practice focused on sanctions, export controls, and white-collar litigation and investigations. Before joining Miller and Chevalier, she clerked for Judge Peter Hall for the Second Circuit and for Judge Curtis V. Gomez for the U.S. District Court for the Virgin Islands.



Moderator



Cesar Lopez-Morales is a Senior Associate in Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe’s DC office and a member of the firm’s Supreme Court and Appellate Practice group. Cesar focuses on high-stakes appeals across a wide range of matters, with a particular emphasis on administrative law and issues of federal preemption. He has co-authored briefs in state and federal appellate courts, as well as before the U.S. Supreme Court. And as a member of the appellate group’s “issues” practice, Cesar also specializes in critical motions at the trial level, focusing on the law-intensive aspects of a case, legal strategy, preservation of issues and objections for appeal, and the framing of complex

legal and factual concepts through clear and persuasive writing.

Before joining Orrick, Cesar was an attorney at the U.S. Department of Justice's Civil Division, Federal Programs Branch, where he was counsel of record for the United States and its agencies in dozens of cases.

Cesar also served as a law clerk to Judge José A. Cabranes of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit. Before that, Cesar clerked for Judge Rosemary M. Collyer of the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia, and Judge Jay A. García-Gregory of the U.S. District Court for the District of Puerto Rico. And in law school, he served as a judicial extern of the late-Judge Juan R. Torruella of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit.

Born and raised in San Juan, Cesar is a proud Puerto Rican. He is also a proud graduate of Georgetown University’s School of Foreign Service and of Boston University School of Law. Cesar is also a member of HBA-DC and HNBA (serving on the organization’s Amicus Brief Committee) and has served as a mentor for The Appellate Project.

CLOSING REMARKS

Paul Grewal is the Chief Legal Officer of Coinbase Global, Inc. where more than 68 million people in over 100 countries buy, sell, store, use and earn cryptocurrency. Paul is responsible for Coinbase's legal, compliance, global intelligence, risk management and government relations groups. He leads these teams in their work to partner with financial services regulators, contribute to the development and rollout of innovative, regulated products and services, and support the company's global growth and regulatory strategy.



Before joining Coinbase in August 2020, Paul was Vice President and Deputy General Counsel at Facebook. Prior to Facebook, Paul served as United States Magistrate Judge for the Northern District of California. He was appointed by Chief Justice Roberts to the Magistrate Judges Education Committee of the Federal Judicial Center.

Paul was previously a partner at Howrey LLP, where his practice focused on intellectual property litigation. Paul has tried cases from Marshall, Texas to Wilmington, Delaware, and has argued before various federal appellate courts.

Paul served as a law clerk to Federal Circuit Judge Arthur J. Gajarsa and United States District Judge Sam H. Bell. He received his JD from the University of Chicago Law School and his BS in Civil and Environmental Engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.



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LIST OF JUDGES ACCEPTING CLERKSHIP AND INTERNSHIP APPLICATIONS

Please see below for information about the clerkship and internship application process from supporting judges. Unless otherwise noted, a complete internship application must include a cover letter, a resume, a copy of your transcript (unofficial is permissible), a list of references, and a writing sample.

The Honorable Theodore D. Chuang

U.S. District Court for the District of Maryland
6500 Cherrywood Lane
Greenbelt, MD 20770

Clerkship Information: Submit your application online through OSCAR.

Internship Information: At that time, applications are to be submitted by email to MDD_TDCChambers@mdd.uscourts.gov

The Honorable George Hazel

U.S. District Court for the District of Maryland
6500 Cherrywood Lane
Greenbelt, MD 20770

Clerkship/Internship Information: Submit applications to the address listed above.

The Honorable Laura Cordero

Superior Court of the District of Columbia
500 Indiana Avenue N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20001

Clerkship/Internship Information: Submit applications to the address listed above.

The Honorable Patricia Millet

U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit
333 Constitution Avenue, NW
Washington, D.C. 20001

Externship Information can be found [here](#).

The Honorable Raymond T. Chen

717 Madison Place N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20005

Clerkship Information: accepting applications for positions that begin late 2024

Internship Information: TBD (waiting on COVID restrictions to be set).

The Honorable Wayne Brooks

3451 Court House Drive
Ellicott City, MD 21043

Clerkship/Internship Information: Accepting applications on a rolling basis, directed to the Administrative Judge Pamila Brown at the address above.

The Honorable Daniel Ortiz

5th Floor Chambers, Fairfax County Courthouse
4110 Chain Bridge Road
Fairfax, Virginia 22030

Clerkship/Internship Information: Accepting both internship/clerkship applications. Applications can be directed to the address listed above. Please include a cover letter, resume, and writing sample.

The Honorable Sun Choi

Administrative Law Building
11101 Gilroy Road
Hunt Valley, Maryland 21031-1301

Internship Information can be found [here](#).