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The Honorable Kathaleen S. McCormick is sworn in as Chancellor for the Delaware Court of Chancery

The Honorable Kathaleen S. McCormick was sworn in for her first term as Chancellor of the Delaware Court of Chancery on Thursday, May 6, 2021 at 1 p.m. in a small, private ceremony at the Leonard L. Williams Justice Center in Wilmington.

Chancellor McCormick decided to forgo a large investiture ceremony in favor of a small, short ceremony due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. Retired Chancellor Andre G. Bouchard administered the Oath of Office as Chancellor McCormick's daughter Fiona Fawcett held the Bible.

In taking the oath of office, Chancellor McCormick becomes the first woman to hold the position of Chancellor in the Court's 229-year history.

Chancellor McCormick first joined the Court of Chancery in November 2018 as a Vice Chancellor, occupying one of two new judicial positions created that year in the historic expansion of the Court of Chancery from five to seven judges.

Prior to joining the Bench, Chancellor McCormick was a partner in the Delaware law firm Young Conaway Stargatt & Taylor, LLP, where she focused her practice on litigating in the Court of Chancery. Before entering private practice, Chancellor McCormick was a staff attorney with the Community Legal Aid Society, Inc.

Chancellor McCormick received her undergraduate degree from Harvard and her law degree from Notre Dame Law School. She is a Delaware native and a graduate of Smyrna High.