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**The Honorable Natalie J. Haskins Takes the Oath of Office for  
Judge of the Family Court of the State of Delaware**

The Honorable Natalie J. Haskins was formally sworn in for her first term as Judge of the Family Court of Delaware at 2 p.m. on Jan. 22, 2016 in Courtroom 8B at the New Castle County Courthouse in Wilmington.

Family Court Chief Judge Michael K. Newell welcomed the audience to the investiture and the invocation was performed by Dr. Christopher A. Bullock of the Canaan Baptist Church. Judge Haskins' children — Cameron, Kennedy and Christian Haskins — led the pledge of allegiance and Family Court Judge Arlene Minus Coppadge administered the Oath of Office.

Following the Oath of Office, Gov. Jack A. Markell and Delaware Chief Defender Brendan O'Neill offered remarks along with Judge Haskins' sister Alicia May and Judge Haskins' husband Tarik J. Haskins Esq.

Prior to her appointment, Judge Haskins, had been an Assistant Public Defender from 2010 to 2015 representing juveniles in criminal litigation. She also served as a Deputy Child Advocate in the Office of Child Advocate in 2010, and as a Deputy Attorney General in the Department of Justice's Criminal and Family divisions from 2006 to 2009. Judge Haskins began her legal career in 2003 as an Associate at the Wilmington law firm Morris, Nichols, Arsht & Tunnell LLP, where she handled civil litigation matters.

Outside her legal career, Haskins is also a past president of the Board of Directors of the Christiana Cultural Arts Center.

Judge Haskins, a native Delawarean, is a graduate of Newark High School and the University of Delaware. She received her law degree from American University in 2003. She currently resides in Wilmington with her husband and three children.

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