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Superior Court Judge Robert J. Gilson Appointed to Appellate Division

Superior Court Judge Robert J. Gilson will be assigned to the Appellate Division effective Aug. 1, Chief Justice Stuart Rabner announced today.

The Appellate Division of the Superior Court is New Jersey's intermediate appellate court. The 32 Appellate Division judges hear appeals from decisions of the trial courts, the Tax Court and state administrative agencies. The Appellate Division generally decides between 6,000 and 6,500 appeals and about 8,500 motions each year.

Judge Gilson holds a bachelor's degree from Hamilton College in Clinton, New York and a law degree from Boston College Law School. He served as a law clerk to Judge John J. Gibbons of the U. S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit. He then joined the firm of Riker, Danzig, Scherer, Hyland & Perretti LLP as an associate in 1986. He was named a partner in the firm in 1994.

In 2006, Judge Gilson left the firm to serve as the director of the Division of Law in the New Jersey Office of the Attorney General. He was appointed to the bench on Oct. 1, 2009 by Gov. Jon Corzine. He served first in the family division in the Morris/Sussex Vicinage and in 2012 moved to the criminal division. He has served on temporary assignment to the Appellate Division since April 2015.

Judge Gilson has served on the Supreme Court Advisory Committee on Professional Ethics. He also has served on the District X Ethics Committee and has been a trustee and chair of the New Jersey Lawyers' Fund for Client Protection.

"I am grateful for the opportunity to join the appellate bench and to continue my service to the people of New Jersey," said Judge Gilson. "I also want to thank the wonderful judges and staff of the Morris/Sussex Vicinage for their friendship and support."

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