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THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS WELCOMES THE HONORABLE ROBERT A. MOLLOY

On behalf of the District Court of the Virgin Islands, Chief Judge Wilma A. Lewis warmly welcomes Judge Robert A. Molloy to the District Court bench, effective April 27, 2020. Judge Molloy's appointment to the federal bench follows his nomination by President Donald J. Trump on June 12, 2019, and his unanimous confirmation by the United States Senate on February 25, 2020. Judge Molloy replaces Judge Curtis V. Gomez as the District Judge sitting in the Division of St. Thomas and St. John.

Judge Molloy is no stranger to the Virgin Islands Judiciary. Following his nomination by former Governor of the Virgin Islands, the Honorable John P. de Jongh, Jr., on July 26, 2013, and approval by the 30th Legislature of the Virgin Islands on September 26, 2013, Judge Molloy commenced a six-year term as Judge of the Superior Court of the Virgin Islands. During his tenure with the Superior Court, Judge Molloy issued opinions on a wide range of legal issues in both the civil and criminal contexts. He was also assigned to sit in the Complex Litigation Division of the Superior Court where he presided over complex matters, including environmental, toxic, and mass tort claims. In addition, he served as a Designated Supreme Court Justice for the Supreme Court of the Virgin Islands and also as a Judge on the Appellate Panel of the District Court to sit and hear appeals from the Superior Court of the Virgin Islands. Beyond his casework, Judge Molloy also sought to improve the policies and procedures of the local judiciary by serving as a member of the Judicial Management Advisory Council (JMAC) and as the Chairperson of the Virgin Islands Judiciary's Advisory Committee on Rules.

Prior to his service on the Superior Court bench, Judge Molloy served as an Assistant Attorney General-Labor for the Virgin Islands Department of Justice. He was assigned to the Office of Collective Bargaining (OCB) where he represented executive branch agencies of the Government of the Virgin Islands in complex labor and employment-related matters in a variety of administrative proceedings. Prior to Judge Molloy's tenure at OCB, he served as a law clerk for the Honorable Raymond L. Finch at the District Court of the Virgin Islands, and a law clerk at the Arlington County Circuit Court in Virginia. Judge Molloy is a member of the Virginia State Bar, the District of Columbia Bar, and the Virgin Islands Bar Association.

A native of St. Croix, Judge Molloy graduated from St. Dunstan's Episcopal School in 1993. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree in business management, *cum laude*, from Hampton University in 1997; a Juris Doctor degree from American University Washington College of Law in 2003; and an MBA with a concentration in finance from American University Kogod School of Business in 2004.

The District Court expresses its thanks to Judge Gomez for his 15 years of dedicated service as the active District Judge in the St. Thomas and St. John Division of the Court. Judge Gomez has left his mark with a breadth of Virgin Islands federal jurisprudence. In addition, during his tenure, he ensured that the District Court kept pace with its national counterparts, shepherding in the use of the CM/ECF, the Court's electronic case management system, and fostering additional institutional improvements as it related to financial operations, internal controls and operational policies and procedures. The Court will continue to benefit from the various contributions that Judge Gomez has made to its operations.

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