

**District of Columbia  
Court of Appeals**



BEFORE: Blackburne-Rigsby, Chief Judge; Glickman, Thompson, Beckwith, Easterly, McLeese, and Deahl, Associate Judges.

**ORDER**  
(FILED – December 23, 2020)

Pursuant to the Order Establishing the District of Columbia Access to Justice Commission, filed December 29, 2004 (No. M-220-04) and the subsequent orders continuing and expanding the District of Columbia Access to Justice Commission, dated February 28, 2005, October 9, 2007, February 17, 2011, May 22, 2014, and November 15, 2015,<sup>1</sup> it is

ORDERED that the Commission shall be expanded to include the DC Courts Executive Officer nominated by the Chief Judge of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals;

It is FURTHER ORDERED that the Commission shall hereby consist of the following members appointed by this court:

Four (4) judges nominated by the Chief Judge of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals;<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> The December 29, 2004, order established the Commission for an initial three-year term. The February 28, 2005, order amended the order establishing the Commission to increase the total number of members from fifteen to seventeen and to increase from three to five the at-large members. The October 9, 2007, order continued the work of the Commission until further order of the court, designated that one member would serve as vice-chairperson of the Commission, and provided guidance on Commissioner, Chair, and Vice-Chair terms. The February 17, 2011, order added three additional at-large members to Commission, the May 22, 2014, order expanded that number to nine, for a total of twenty-one members, and the November 15, 2015, order expanded the number of at-large members to an indeterminate number. This order today adds an additional member to the Commission. Orders appointing individual Commissioners were issued by this court on February 28, 2005, February 25, 2008, February 17, 2011, May 22, 2014, November 18, 2015, June 16, 2017, March 12, 2020, and today.

<sup>2</sup> The order establishing the Commission and subsequent orders indicate the Joint Committee on Judicial Administration in the District of Columbia nominates judges to serve on the Commission. However, over time, the organizational structure of the Commission has changed wherein the Chief Judge of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals, in consultation with the Chief Judge of the Superior Court, nominates judges to serve on the Commission.

The DC Courts Executive Officer (1) nominated by the Chief Judge of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals;

Two (2) persons nominated by the District of Columbia Bar;

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Four (4) persons nominated by the Consortium of Legal Services Providers, at least one of whom shall be a leader of a community based organization serving persons living in poverty or a client of a D.C. legal services provider; and

At-Large Members who shall be selected by the court on the basis of a demonstrated commitment to access to justice and familiarity with access-to-justice issues.

It is FURTHER ORDERED that Dr. Cheryl Bailey, Acting Executive Officer, is hereby appointed as a Member of the District of Columbia Access to Justice Commission, effective immediately through February 28, 2023.

ENTERED BY DIRECTION OF THE COURT

  
JULIO A. CASTILLO  
Clerk of the Court

cc: All Judges

Nancy E. Drane, Executive Director, D.C. Access to Justice Commission

D.C. Access to Justice Commission Members