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Report from District One
Honorable Amy Lyn Blake

Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Puerto Rico and Rhode Island

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Judge Sarah Hamilton, Superior Court

Prior to her appointment to the bench, Judge Hamilton was Senior Trial Counsel with the Public Defender Division of the Committee for Public Counsel Services representing criminal defendants in the District and Superior Courts. Judge Hamilton is a graduate of Northeastern University and Northeastern University School of Law.



Judge Lauren Reznick, Land Court

Prior to her appointment to the bench, Judge Reznick served as Legal Counsel and Assistant Deputy Court Administrator for Land Court. Previously, Judge Reznick served as both an Administrative Attorney and Law Clerk for the Land Court. Prior to that, she worked as a Litigation Associate at Ropes & Gray LLP, and Troutman Pepper, and as a Special Assistant District Attorney in the Middlesex District Attorney's Office. She also served as a Judicial Clerk for the Honorable Christine O.C. Miller on the United States Court of Federal Claims. Judge Reznick is a graduate of the University of California, Davis and Boston University Law School.



CONTINUING EDUCATION

Judge Debra Squires Lee will be a panelist on MCLE's 24th Annual Business Litigation Conference.

Judges Marguerite Grant and Cat Ham will be panelists on Social Law Library's Criminal Law 2024 Year in Review.

Chief Justice Stacey Fortes will moderate the Third Annual Hon. Gregory C. Flynn Memorial Program on Judicial Excellence for the Flaschner Judicial Institute.

Judge Sarah Ellis will be a panelist.

Judge Marguerite Grant will be a panelist on MCLE's Handling Sexual Assault Cases.

SPOTLIGHT ON THE JUVENILE COURT: FAMILY TREATMENT COURT

Congratulations to **Judge Carol Shaw** and her team at the Family Treatment Court. This specialty court provides specialized services and support to parents whose children have been removed from their care due to substance abuse. The program launched in December 2023, and on December 9, 2024, the first five participants graduated from the program. Read more about this life changing program in the upcoming edition of *Counterbalance*.



(Judge Carol Shaw)

BOSTON 2025

We are pleased to announce the theme for the 2025 NAWJ Annual Conference:

BOSTON: WHERE WOMEN LEAD

And our fabulous logo:



Respectfully submitted:

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