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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 Kim, Superior Court

Prior to her appointment to the bench, Judge Kim was Deputy Treasurer and the General Counsel for the Office of the Treasurer & Receiver General. She previously served as the interim Chairperson of the Cannabis Control Commission, and prior to that as an Assistant Attorney General in the Fraud and Financial Crimes Division. Judge Kim was also an attorney at Bingham McCutchen LLP and served as the President of the Asian American Lawyers Association of Massachusetts and Board Chair of the Asian Task Force Against Domestic Violence. Judge Kim graduated from Dartmouth College and Villanova University School of Law.



CEREMONIAL SWEARING-IN

Judge Amy Blake was ceremonially sworn in as the eighth Chief Justice of the Massachusetts Appeals Court and the first woman to hold that position. Many NAWJ members were in attendance including past presidents **Justices Nan Duffly and Amy Nechtem** and current NAWJ President **Judge Michelle Rick** of the Michigan Court of Appeals.



(Governor Healey, Chief Justice Amy Blake, Justice Kathryn Hand)



(Judges Amy Nechtem, Amy Blake, & Nan Duffly)



(Judges Michelle Rick & Amy Blake)

CONTINUING EDUCATION

Judges Jennifer Ulwick and Nan Sauer will be a panelist on Social Law Library's Family Law and Fiduciary Litigation Year in Review.

Judge Randy Kaplan (ret). will be a panelist on the Greater Newburyport Bar Association's Flying High: Litigating Addiction Issues in Family Law.

Judge Lauren Reznick will be a faculty member for MCLE's Tax Lien Foreclosure Legal Assistance Training.

Judges Debra Squires-Lee and Julie Bernard will serve as co-chairs of the Flaschner Judicial Institute Program's Excellent Judging in the Courtroom--How to Manage Difficult Situations. **Judge Cat Ham** will also be a panelist.

Respectfully submitted:

Hon. Amy Lyn Blake
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