

July 29, 2024 Report from District One Honorable Amy Lyn Blake

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

Welcome New Members

Please join me in welcoming **District Court Judge Ina Howard-Hogan** and **Probate & Family Court Judge Jessica Dubin** to District One!



(Judge Ina Howard-Hogan)



(Judge Jessica Dubin)

Giving Back

Thank you to Justices Marguerite Grant, Diane Rubin, Judith Dein, and Amy Blake who served as IOLTA grant reviewers for the Mass Bar Foundation which awarded over \$4.8 million to 82 legal aid communities across Massachusetts.

Judge Janet Bostwick chaired a panel for federal interns on clerkship opportunities. Members of the federal and state judiciary participated, including **Judge Amy Blake**.

Afghan Judge

Ongoing thanks to the following team who continue to support our Afghan colleague and her family in so many ways including helping with driving lessons, English lessons, interview prep and more: Judges Valerie Yarashus, Mary Beth Ogulewicz, Gloria Tan, Lynn Rooney, Diane Rubin, and Vickie Henry.

Counterbalance

Congratulations to **Judges Sarah Ellis and Arose Nielsen** who both authored articles in the most recent issue of *Counterbalance*! Link here in case you missed it: https://www.nawj.org/newsletter-archive/counterbalance-summer-2024





Boston 2025

Planning is underway for Boston 2025. Your planning committee includes cochairs **Judges Helen Brown Bryant** and **Amy Blake**, and committee members **Judges Amy Nechtem**, **Ariane Vuono**, **Geri Hines**, **Diane Rubin**, and **Valerie Yarashus**.

And thank you to the following committee chairs:

Education Committee co-chairs: Judges Marguerite Grant and Debra Squires Lee. Committee members: Judges Gloria Tan, Mary White, and Sarah Ellis

International Judges Committee Chair: Judge Lee Peterson

<u>Bar Association Committee Co-chairs</u>: **Judges Meghan Spring** and **Jennifer Ulwick**

<u>Law School/Planting the Seed Committee Co-chairs</u>: **Judges Marylou Muirhead** and **Cat Ham**

I will be putting out a call for committee members and additional chairs for additional committees so please watch your email!

Respectfully submitted:

Hon. Amy Lyn Blake NAWJ District One Director