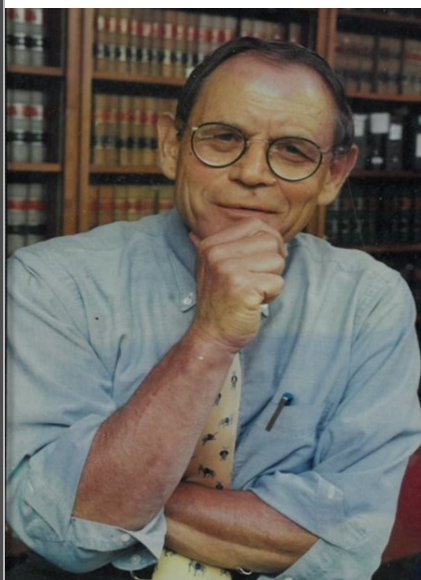


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MEMORIAL TO HONORABLE RUDOLPH KASS



On June 26, 2024, the Appeals Court held a special sitting in memoriam of former associate justice **Rudolph Kass** (pictured left). Attorney General Andrea Joy Campbell made a motion before **Chief Justice Mark V. Green**, **Chief Justice Christopher J. Armstrong (ret.)**, and **Justice Ariane D. Vuono** to have remarks speaking to the public career and life of Justice Kass ([biography page](#)) spread across the bound volumes of the Massachusetts Appeals Court Reports by the Office of the Reporter of Decisions. With support offered by presenters on behalf of the Court, the Massachusetts bar, friends, and family, Chief Justice Green allowed the motion, commemorating Justice Kass's legacy in a formal and historic manner. A

[recording of this memorial sitting](#) can be viewed on the Appeals Court YouTube channel.

JUSTICE WOLOHOJIAN ELEVATED TO THE SUPREME JUDICIAL COURT



Justice Gabrielle R. Wolohojian was appointed to the Supreme Judicial Court earlier this year and made her transition in the springtime. On June 10, 2024, the Office of Governor Maura Healey conducted a [ceremonial oath of office ceremony which can be viewed on YouTube](#) (courtesy of the Governor's Press Office). The event's program included several dignitaries, including the Appeals Court's **Chief Justice Mark V. Green** and **Justice Amy Lyn Blake** as master of ceremonies. Justice Wolohojian's former Appeals Court colleagues agree that the Appeals Court's loss is certainly the Supreme Judicial Court's gain. Please join the Appeals Court in congratulating Justice Wolohojian!

NEW CLERK OF COURT APPOINTED



We are pleased to announce that, pursuant to G. L. c. 211A, § 6, the Justices of the Massachusetts Appeals Court have appointed Paul Tuttle to serve as

Clerk of the Appeals Court for a term of five years.

Previously, Clerk Tuttle was Assistant General Counsel at the Sex Offender Registry Board in Salem, MA, and a sole practitioner. Since 2013 and immediately preceding his appointment to Clerk, he served as an Assistant Clerk at the Appeals Court. During his tenure as an Assistant Clerk, he forged continuing partnerships with the Suffolk University Law School's Legal Innovation and Technology Lab and with the Housing Court. Clerk Tuttle is a graduate of Salem State College and Boston University School of Law.

Please join us in welcoming **Clerk Paul Tuttle** to his new role!

CHIEF JUSTICE MARK V. GREEN HONORED BY THE BBA



Chief Justice Mark V. Green (pictured above) was the 2024 recipient of the Boston Bar Association's Haskell Cohn Distinguished Judicial Service Award. This award is presented to a member of the judiciary deserving of special recognition. Please join in celebrating this distinct honor.

SUPREME JUDICIAL COURT & APPEALS COURT BENCH-BAR REPORT

The Flaschner Judicial Institute released their [report on the Supreme Judicial Court and Appeals Court Appellate Bench Bar Conference](#) with a post-conference message from Chief Justice Kimberly S. Budd, Supreme Judicial Court and **Chief Justice Mark V. Green**, Appeals Court, their joint statement, and a conclusion which summarizes the joint statement and previews next steps.

APPEALS COURT JUSTICES' SPRING EDUCATION CONFERENCE



Pictured above: (front row L-R) **Justices Marguerite T. Grant, Amy Lyn Blake, Andrew M. D'Angelo, Ariane D. Vuono, Vickie L. Henry, Kenneth V. Desmond, Jr., Maureen E. Walsh, Sookyong Shin, Peter W. Sacks, and Rachel E. Hershfang;** (second row L-R) **Justices Paul Hart Smyth and Joseph M. Ditkoff, Chief Justice Mark V. Green, Justices Peter J. Rubin, Kathryn E. Hand, John C. Englander, James R. Milkey, Robert E. Toone, Jr., William J. Meade, Gregory I. Massing, Robert A. Brennan, and Christopher P. Hodgens.**

The justices of the Appeals Court convened for their annual Spring

Education Conference in May. Their rigorous agenda included "The Panel Chief: The Harder Questions," "Seeing RED: Racial and Ethnic Disparities," presentations by representatives of the Superior, District, and Housing Court departments, and many more valuable items for discussion.

TRAVELING JUSTICE

THE APPEALS COURT COMPLETES ITS SPRING TOUR

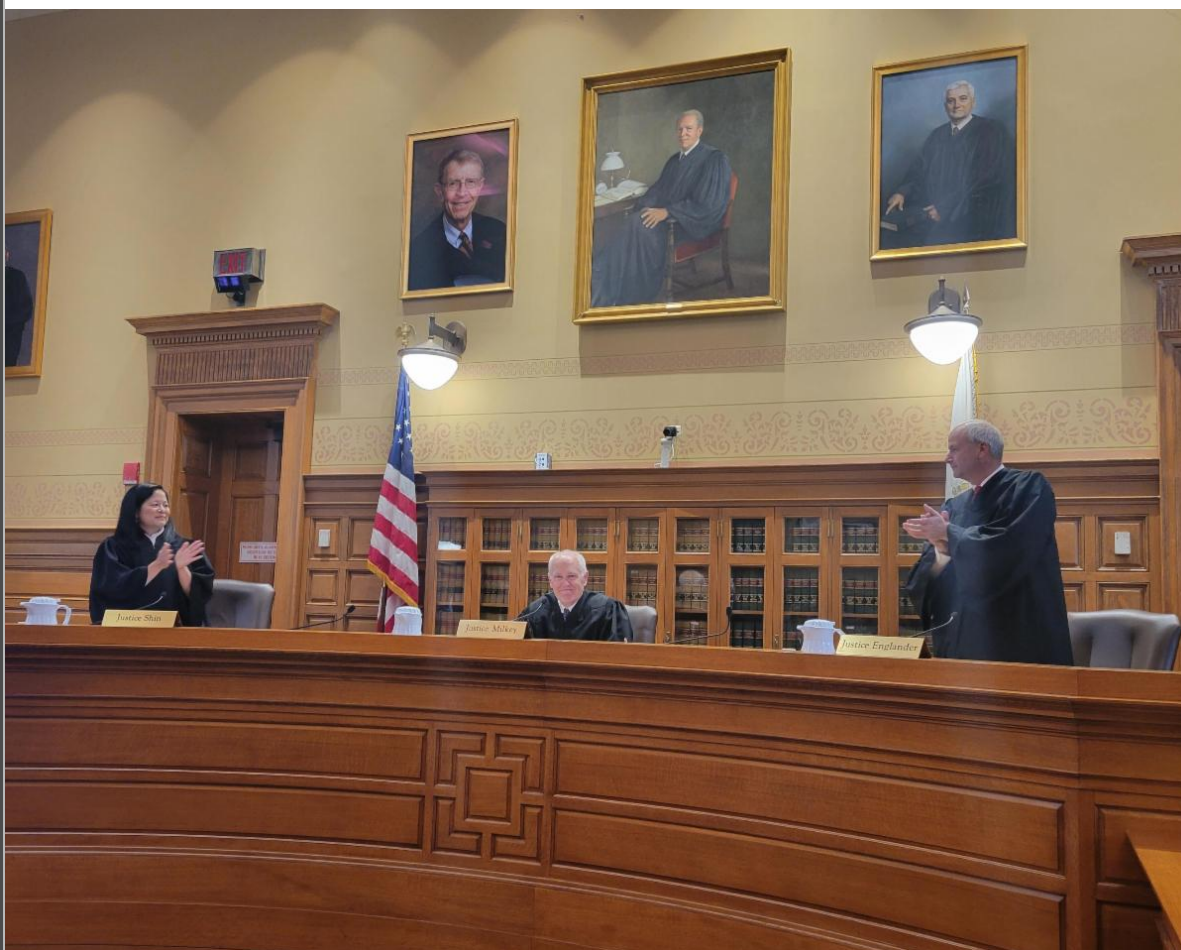


Pictured above (L-R): **Justices Marguerite T. Grant, Peter J. Rubin**, and **Rachel E. Hershfang** sitting at Barnstable Superior Court.

On April 2, 2024, **Justices William J. Meade, John C. Englander**, and **Christopher P. Hodgens** heard oral arguments at Suffolk University Law School and engaged with law school students during a question-and-answer session. On April 10, 2024, **Justices Kenneth V. Desmond, Jr., Kathryn E. Hand**, and **Marguerite T. Grant** heard oral arguments at the University of Massachusetts-Boston and, similarly, conducted a question-and-answer session with undergraduate students. On May 1, 2024, **Justices Vickie L. Henry, Marguerite T. Grant**, and **Andrew M. D'Angelo** heard oral arguments at Worcester Superior Court and celebrated Law Day with members of the Worcester bar. On May 8, 2024, **Justices William J. Meade, Amy Lyn Blake**, and **Robert A. Brennan** heard oral arguments at Lawrence Superior Court. Lastly, on June 5, 2024, **Justices Peter J. Rubin, Marguerite T. Grant**, and

Rachel E. Hershfang heard oral arguments at Barnstable Superior Court joined by **Justice Kathryn E. Hand** at the last of seven offsite sittings conducted by the Appeals Court over the course of the spring.

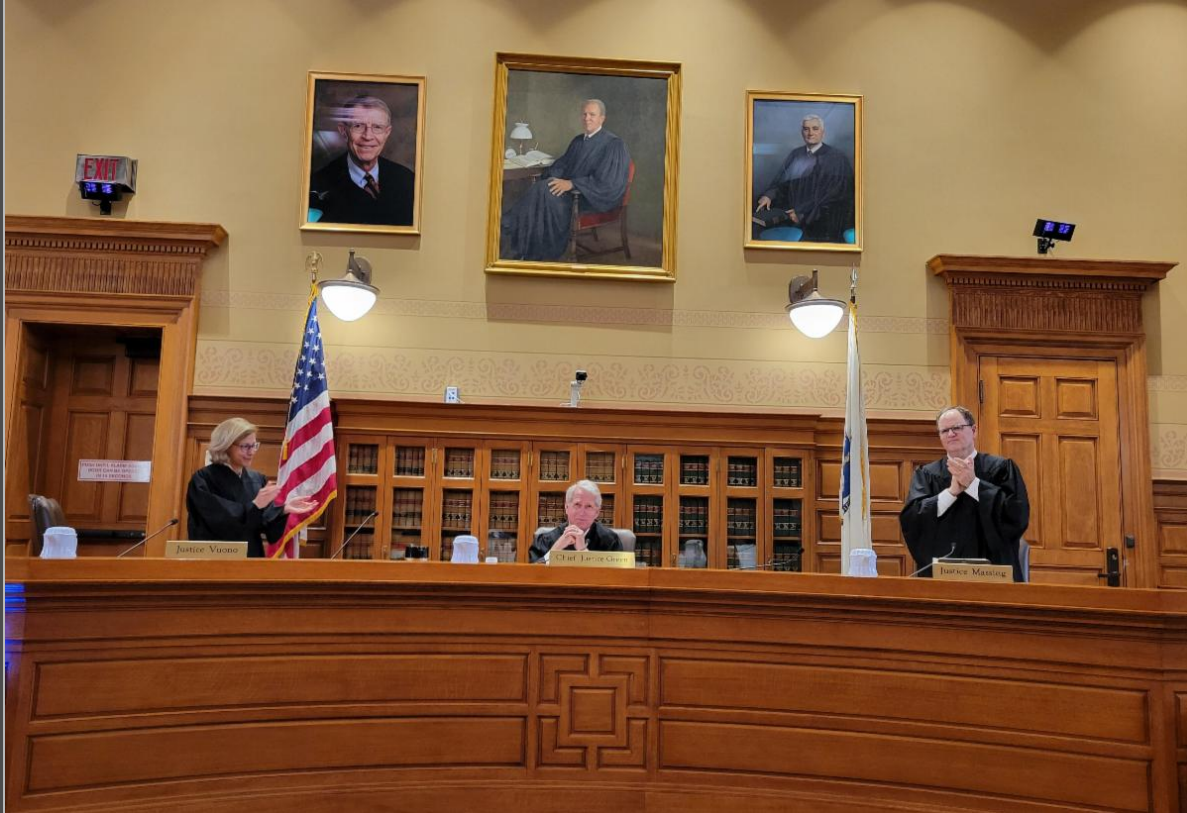
JUSTICES' FINAL SITTINGS



Pictured (L-R): **Justices Sookyoung Shin, James R. Milkey, and John C. Englander** during Justice Milkey's final sitting.

During justices' final sittings before retirement, it is an Appeals Court tradition that special remarks are shared before the calling of the list. On June 3, 2024, **Justice James R. Milkey**, after fifteen years of service on the Appeals Court, had his [final sitting, which is posted to YouTube](#) and pictured above. On June 10, 2024, **Chief Justice Mark V. Green**, after sixteen years as an associate justice and seven as chief justice of the Appeals Court, had his final sitting, [which is posted to YouTube](#) and pictured below.

Pictured below (L-R): **Justice Ariane D. Vuono, Chief Justice Mark V. Green, and Justice Gregory I. Massing**.



JUDICIAL OUTREACH: STUDENT ENGAGEMENTS



Appeals Court justices actively engaged with students from across the Commonwealth during the spring months. **Chief Justice Mark V. Green** and **Justices Ariane D. Vuono** and **Gregory I. Massing**, after hearing oral argument, conducted a question-and-answer session following with law school students who are working as summer associates at WilmerHale. Pictured above to the left are **Justices William J. Meade** and **Sookyong Shin** with participants in Discovering Justice's Mock Appeal program. The students from Florida Ruffin Ridley Middle School in Brookline, MA toured the John Adams Courthouse and met with Justices Meade and Shin in April to prepare for oral arguments they would present on a student freedom of speech case at a later date. Above and to the right is **Justice Amy Lyn Blake** in the Supreme Judicial Court's main courtroom with students from Clark School in Rowley. Below and to the left is **Justice**

Rachel E. Hershfang in the House Chamber sharing greetings from the Judicial Branch and speaking to high school students about the role of courts in our democracy and about the satisfactions of government service during Massachusetts' 77th annual Student Government Day. Below and to the right is **Justice Christopher P. Hodgins** visiting with student participants in Discovering Justice's Mock Appeal program. During their lively discussion, Justice Hodgins and the students from Worcester's Sullivan Middle School and Forest Grove Middle School talked about the justice system, the role of appellate judges, and the importance of education.



JUSTICE AMY LYN BLAKE PRESENTS "SHOULD CHILDREN PARTICIPATE IN THE FAMILY LAW PROCESS?"



Justice Amy Lyn Blake presented "Should Children Participate in the Family Law Process?" at the International Association of Family and Conciliation Courts Annual Conference. Participants included lawyers, judges, and mental health professionals from the United States, Canada, England, Italy, Kenya, Hong Kong, Australia, Singapore, and Wales.

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