

MEET YOUR NEW JUSTICE: LIDIA S. STIGLICH

On Dec. 5, 2016, Justice Lidia S. Stiglich took her oath of office, becoming the newest justice to join the Nevada Supreme Court. Governor Brian Sandoval appointed Stiglich on Nov. 10, 2016, following the retirement of former Justice Nancy Saitta. Currently, Stiglich serves as a member of the Nevada Supreme Court's Indigent Defense Commission and the Commission on Statewide Rules of Criminal Procedure.

Sandoval also selected Stiglich for her appointment as a judge for the Second Judicial District Court in Washoe County, Nevada. She was retained by voters in 2014, and she served as the presiding judge in Department 8 until her appointment to the Nevada Supreme Court in 2016. During her time with the Second Judicial District court, she presided over both civil and criminal cases, served as the court's Probate Judge, and co-founded the Youth Offender Drug Court. She also served as co-chair for numerous committees.

"[She] has performed admirably in the Second Judicial District Court," said Sandoval, in a press release posted on gov.nv.gov. "She is highly regarded by her colleagues on the bench and the advocates in the courtroom as demonstrated by her 96.6 percent retention rating from the Washoe County Bar Association Judicial Survey.... Since taking office, she has excelled in her performance as an officer of the court and has committed herself to improving the quality of judicial services and its fair and efficient delivery for her constituents."

Before her judicial appointments, Stiglich practiced law for nearly two decades. She was the founder and managing partner of the law firm Stiglich & Hinckley, LLP. She also advised Lieutenant Governor Brian Krolicki on legal matters related to economic development, tourism and cultural affairs as his special counsel.

Stiglich earned her Juris Doctorate from the University of California, Hastings College of Law, and is a member of the State Bars of Nevada and California. She also earned a Bachelor of Science degree in business administration, with an emphasis in finance, from the University of California, Berkeley. She is a member of the Clark County Bar Association, Washoe County Bar Association, the Northern Nevada Women Lawyers Association and the National Association of Women Judges.

Stiglich has served as a faculty member at numerous educational institutions, including the National Judicial College; the University of Nevada, Reno; the John F. Kennedy School of Law; the Golden Gate University School of Law; and the New College of the Law. She participates in a number of community organizations, including the Reno Sunrise Rotary, the Friends of Nevada Mansion and the Sierra Nevada Ballet Board of Directors. **NL**



Other Election Results

The following individuals are incumbent judges re-elected in Nov. 2016:

Nevada Supreme Court

- Justice James Hardesty, Seat A
- Justice Ron D. Parraguirre, Seat E

Nevada Court of Appeals

- Judge Jerome Tao, Dept. 1
- Judge Michael Gibbons, Dept. 2
- Judge Abbi Silver, Dept. 3

Eighth Judicial District Court

- Judge Joe Hardy, Jr., Dept. 15
- Judge Eric Johnson, Dept. 20

Ninth Judicial District Court

- Judge Thomas W. Gregory, Dept. 2