

JUDGES OF THE COURT OF APPEALS

1st District

Term expires

THOMAS C. CAMERON, Northville Township	Jan. 1, 2023
KIRSTEN FRANK KELLY, Grosse Pointe Park	Jan. 1, 2025
ANICA LETICA, Canton	Jan. 1, 2027
CHRISTOPHER M. MURRAY, Grosse Pointe Farms, Chief Judge . .	Jan. 1, 2027
MICHAEL J. RIORDAN, Plymouth.	Jan. 1, 2025
CYNTHIA DIANE STEPHENS, Detroit.	Jan. 1, 2023
vacant ¹	Jan. 1, 2027

2nd District

MARK J. CAVANAGH, Royal Oak	Jan. 1, 2027
ELIZABETH L. GLEICHER, Pleasant Ridge	Jan. 1, 2025
KATHLEEN JANSEN, St. Clair Shores	Jan. 1, 2025
COLLEEN A. O'BRIEN, Clarkston	Jan. 1, 2023
DEBORAH A. SERVITTO, Royal Oak	Jan. 1, 2025
vacant ²	Jan. 1, 2027

3rd District

JANE M. BECKERING, Grand Rapids	Jan. 1, 2025
MARK T. BOONSTRA, Holland	Jan. 1, 2027
JANE E. MARKEY, Grand Rapids	Jan. 1, 2027
JAMES ROBERT REDFORD, East Grand Rapids	Jan. 1, 2027
DAVID H. SAWYER, East Grand Rapids	Jan. 1, 2023
DOUGLAS B. SHAPIRO, Ann Arbor	Jan. 1, 2025

4th District

STEPHEN L. BORRELLO, Saginaw.	Jan. 1, 2025
MICHAEL F. GADOLA, Haslett.	Jan. 1, 2023
MICHAEL J. KELLY, Maple City.	Jan. 1, 2027
AMY RONAYNE KRAUSE, Lansing	Jan. 1, 2027
MICHELLE M. RICK, DeWitt	Jan. 1, 2027
BROCK A. SWARTZLE, Okemos.	Jan. 1, 2023

¹Judge Karen Fort Hood passed away on August 15, 2021.

²Judge Jonathan Tukul passed away on September 17, 2021.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES OF COURT OF APPEALS JUDGES

First District Judges

JUDGE

THOMAS C. CAMERON

Term expires January 1, 2023

Judge Thomas C. Cameron was appointed to the Michigan Court of Appeals in 2017, and previously served as a judge on the Wayne County Circuit Court bench from 2014 until his appointment to the Court of Appeals.

Previously, Judge Cameron worked for the Michigan Department of Attorney General where he supervised several large civil and criminal divisions for the Attorney General, including the Civil Rights Division, Corrections Division, Criminal Division, and Alcohol and Gambling Division. Prior to him serving as a senior manager, he served as an assistant Attorney General, where he litigated high-profile public corruption and cold-case homicides. He is the former chairman of the Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards.

Judge Cameron currently serves on the Michigan Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Treatment Board and also as cochair of the Criminal Justice Committee for the Michigan Judges Association. He is a member of the Michigan Chapter of the Federalist Society, Detroit Metropolitan Bar Association, Catholic Lawyer's Society, the Incorporated Society of Irish-American Lawyers and a member of the University of Detroit Mercy Inns of Court. He serves as an adjunct professor for the University of Toledo School of Law.

Judge Cameron is a graduate of Western Michigan University and Wayne State University School of Law.

JUDGE

KIRSTEN FRANK KELLY

Term expires January 1, 2025

Court of Appeals Judge Kirsten Frank Kelly graduated from Michigan State University with a bachelor of arts degree in 1978, and from the University of Detroit School of Law with a juris doctor degree in 1981. She joined the Detroit law firm of Durant and Durant, where she practiced civil litigation, and became a partner in the firm in 1987. In 1987, she was elected to the Grosse Pointe Park Municipal Court, and she was twice reelected to that position. After taking time off in 1991 following the birth of her third child, Judge Kelly formed another law firm and practiced both civil and criminal law. In 1994, she was appointed to the Wayne Circuit Court by Governor John Engler.

In 1997, Chief Justice Conrad Mallett appointed her presiding judge of the Family Division of the Wayne Circuit Court. In 1999, she was appointed as the presiding judge of the juvenile division of the Wayne Circuit Court. Judge Kelly was elected to the Court of Appeals in 2000. She is the chairman of the Court of Appeals Quality Review committee and serves on the Rules committee as well. She is a frequent speaker for the ICLE Family Law Seminars.

Judge Kelly has served two terms as president of the Michigan Association of Municipal Judges, served on the board of directors of the Michigan District Judges Association, and has been a hearing panel vice chairman for the Attorney Grievance Commission. She has been a volunteer with the Legal Alternatives for Women Program, supervising and instructing attorneys and lay volunteers in the proper application and implementation of domestic violence law and is active in the Women Lawyers of Michigan.

Judge Kelly's civic activities include being an advisory board member for KIDS-Talk, a member of Leadership Detroit XVII, a charter member of the Grosse Pointe Sunrise Rotary, a board member of the National Kidney Foundation of Michigan and a current board member of the Detroit Executive Leadership Committee for the Kidney Foundation. Judge Kelly and her husband, William B. Kelly, have three children. She and her family attend St. Ambrose Catholic Church.

JUDGE

ANICA LETICA

Term expires January 1, 2027

Judge Anica Letica was appointed to the Michigan Court of Appeals in 2018.

She first joined the Court of Appeals as a prehearing attorney in 1985. Thereafter, she clerked for the Honorable John H. Gillis.

Judge Letica then worked in the Appellate Division of the Oakland County Prosecutor's Office, handling hundreds of appeals and supporting legislation benefitting crime victims, law enforcement, and the public.

In 2009, the Michigan Attorney General appointed Judge Letica to serve as an Assistant Attorney General in the Department's Criminal Appellate Division. There, she supervised criminal appeals for 56 county prosecutors along with in-state prisoner litigation. Judge Letica also coordinated the Department's Sexual Assault Kit Initiative projects to investigate and prosecute cases arising from the testing of previously untested sexual assault kits. In addition, Judge Letica assisted the Human Trafficking Commission and represented the Attorney General on the Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards.

Judge Letica is a member of the State Bar's Criminal Law and Appellate Practice Sections, previously serving on the latter's Council. For a number of years, she also served on the Standard Criminal Jury Instruction Committee and was a member of the workgroup responsible for proposing revisions to the court rules governing circuit-court appellate practice.

Judge Letica has lectured for the Michigan Judicial Institute and the Prosecuting Attorneys Association of Michigan. She contributed to the post-conviction and appellate chapters in *Michigan Criminal Procedure for the Institute of Continuing Legal Education* and served on the editorial advisory committee for the Michigan Judicial Institute's *Criminal Proceedings Benchbook, Volume 3*.

Judge Letica graduated from the University of Michigan with high distinction, receiving her bachelor of arts degree. She then graduated from the Wayne State University Law School, where she was elected to the Order of the Coif.

CHIEF JUDGE

CHRISTOPHER M. MURRAY

Term expires January 1, 2027

Judge Murray has been a judge on the Court of Appeals since 2002. He was appointed Chief Judge in April of 2018. Previously, he served as a judge on the Wayne Circuit Court, as Deputy Legal Counsel to Governor John M. Engler, and as an attorney in private practice.

Judge Murray currently serves on the Board of Law Examiners and is a member of the Board of Advisors for the Michigan Lawyers Division of the Federalist Society. He is also a member of the Executive Committee for the Council of Chief Judges of State Courts of Appeal. Judge Murray was formerly the chairman of the State Board of Ethics, previously served as a member of the Local Government Claims Review Board, the Committee on Model Civil Jury Instructions, and was on the board of directors for the Detroit Metropolitan Bar Association, the Society of Irish-American Lawyers, and the Catholic Lawyers Society. Judge Murray graduated from Hillsdale College and received his law degree from the University of Detroit School of Law.

JUDGE

MICHAEL J. RIORDAN

Term expires January 1, 2025

Governor Rick Snyder appointed the Honorable Michael J. Riordan to the Michigan Court of Appeals on March 16, 2012. In November 2012, Judge Riordan was elected to a full six-year term. He was re-elected in 2018.

Previously, the Judge served as an Assistant United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Michigan, as assistant general counsel for the Northwestern Mutual Financial Network, and as a senior attorney in the Enforcement Division of the United States Securities and Exchange Commission. Upon graduation from law school, Judge Riordan served a two-year clerkship for the Honorable Robert E. DeMascio, of the United States District for the Eastern District of Michigan. Judge Riordan is an adjunct professor of securities regulation, administrative law, and business organizations at the University of Detroit Mercy School of Law and was selected Adjunct Professor of the Year in 2010. Prior to law school, Judge Riordan was a Catholic

secondary school English teacher and served as an Inspector with the U.S. Immigration & Naturalization Service, now known as U.S. Customs & Border Protection. He is a member of the Federalist Society, is a past-president of the Michigan Lawyers Chapter and serves as chair of its Board of Advisors. He was a member of the State Bar of Michigan's Board of Commissioners from 2006 through 2018. He also is a past-president of the Federal Bar Association of the Eastern District of Michigan and of the Incorporated Society of Irish American Lawyers. He is president of the University of Detroit Mercy School of Law Alumni Association and is on the Board of Directors of the Catholic Lawyers' Society; Detroit's Loyola High School; the PB&J Ministry; Marywood Nursing Center; and the Institute of Continuing Legal Education. He also is a member of the Board of Advisors for Detroit's Cristo Rey High School. Among other things, Judge Riordan is a recipient of the Michigan Defense Trial Counsel's Judicial Excellence Award; the Detroit Mercy Law Alumni Association Time & Talent Award; the Michigan Irish-American Chamber of Commerce Legal Expert Award; and the Incorporated Society of Irish American Lawyers' Charles Rutherford, Jr. and Thomas P. "Tiger" Thornton Awards.

Judge Riordan received his B.A. from Michigan State University and his J.D., *cum laude*, from the University of Detroit School of Law where he served as Executive Editor (inside articles) of the Law Review.

JUDGE

CYNTHIA DIANE STEPHENS

Term expires January 1, 2023

Prior to her appointment to the Court of Appeals in 2008, Judge Cynthia Diane Stephens served as a general jurisdiction trial judge for 23 years. Judge Stephens was appointed to the Third Circuit Court in 1985 after service as a 36th District Court Judge. She was the Chief Judge Pro Tempore, Mediation Tribunal Chair, and Presiding Civil Division Judge of the 3rd Circuit Court for 8 years. An Emory Law School graduate, Judge Stephens has been admitted to practice in Georgia, Texas, and Michigan. Prior to her election to the bench in 1981, she served as Vice-Chair of the Wayne County Charter Commission, Associate General Counsel to the Michigan Senate, Regional Director for the National Conference of Black Lawyers-Atlanta office, and consultant to the National League of Cities Veterans Discharge Upgrade Project.

She has been active in bar work including 16 years as a Commissioner of the State Bar of Michigan, chairing its Justice Initiatives Committee, Communications Committee and Children's Task Force. Judge Stephens is former chair of the Association of Black Judges of Michigan, a former member of the Executive Board of the National Bar Association and its Judicial Council. She has been honored by many civic and religious organizations including the inaugural Woodrow Smith Community Service Award from the Shrines of the Black Madonna, the Golden Heritage Award from Little Rock Baptist Church and the Susan B. Anthony Award from the City of Detroit Human Rights Department. She was awarded the State Bar of Michigan's highest honor, the Roberts P. Hudson Award in 2005.

Judge Stephens has served as adjunct faculty at Wayne State University Law School, the Detroit College of Law and the University of Detroit Mercy Law School. She has also served as faculty member for the National Judicial College and the Michigan Judicial Institute and the Emory Law School Kessler-Eidson Program for Trial Techniques. She was a contributing author to the Lawyer's Co-Operatives "*Michigan Nonstandard Jury Instructions*" as well as numerous articles on subjects ranging from jury selection to ethics.

She has served on numerous civic boards and commissions including New Detroit, the Inner City Business Improvement Forum, the Detroit Metropolitan Association Board of Trustees for the United Church of Christ, the Greater Detroit Area Health Care Council and the Girl Scouts. She is a resident of Detroit.

Second District Judges

JUDGE

MARK J. CAVANAGH

Term expires January 1, 2027

Judge Cavanagh was elected to the Court in 1988. Previously, he worked as a special assistant attorney general, as an assistant Wayne County prosecutor, and as an attorney in private practice. Judge Cavanagh received his bachelor's degree from the University of Michigan and his law degree from the Detroit College of Law.

JUDGE

ELIZABETH L. GLEICHER

Term expires January 1, 2025

Judge Gleicher was appointed to the Court in 2007. Previously, she was an attorney in private practice for 27 years. She began her career at Goodman, Eden, Millender & Bedrosian in Detroit and opened her own litigation practice in 1994. She is an elected Fellow of the International Society of Barristers, 2004 and the American College of Trial Lawyers, 2005. She received the Respected Advocate Award from the Michigan Defense Trial Counsel in 2005 and the State Bar of Michigan Champion of Justice Award in 2001. Judge Gleicher has served on the faculty of the Institute for Continuing Legal Education and as an adjunct professor at Wayne State University Law School. She received her bachelor's degree from Carleton College in Northfield, Minnesota, and her law degree from Wayne State University Law School.

JUDGE

KATHLEEN JANSEN

Term expires January 1, 2025

Judge Jansen was appointed to the Court of Appeals in 1989. In November 1982, she was the first woman ever to be elected to the Macomb County Probate Court. In November 1984, she was the first woman elected to the Macomb County Circuit Court. Prior to her elections, she worked as an attorney in private practice. Judge Jansen received her bachelor's degree from Michigan State University and attended Western Washington State University for graduate studies. She obtained her law degree from the University of Detroit Law School in 1982.

JUDGE

COLLEEN A. O'BRIEN

Term expires January 1, 2023

Judge Colleen O'Brien was appointed to the Court of Appeals in October of 2015. She graduated from the University of Michigan in 1978 with a bachelor of arts degree and from the Detroit College of Law with a juris doctor degree in 1981. Judge O'Brien practiced law for 17 years prior to being elected to the Oakland County Circuit Court in 1998. As a Circuit Judge, she served as the Presiding Judge of the Female Adult Treatment Court for twelve years and as the Presiding Judge of the Civil/Criminal Division for several years.

Judge O'Brien is a long-time member of the Michigan Judges Association and served as President in 2015. She has also served as President of the Oakland County Women's Bar Association and served on the Board of Directors of the Women Lawyers Association of Michigan. An active member of the Oakland County Bar Association, Judge O'Brien received the Distinguished Public Servant Award in 2011.

Judge O'Brien's civic activities include serving on the Advisory Board to Crossroads for Youth, serving as a member of the Indigent Defense Advisory Commission, and serving as a member of the Interagency Council on Homelessness.

JUDGE

DEBORAH A. SERVITTO

Term expires January 1, 2025

Judge Deborah A. Servitto was born in Sewickley, Pennsylvania. She graduated from Oakland University in 1978 with a bachelor's degree in Political Science and from the Detroit College of Law with a juris doctor degree in 1982.

She served from 1982 to 1986 as the first female assistant city attorney for the city of Warren. In 1986, Judge Servitto was elected to the 37th District Court. Governor James J. Blanchard appointed Judge Servitto to the Macomb Circuit Court in 1990, and she subsequently was elected three times to that court. Governor Jennifer M. Granholm appointed Judge Servitto to the Court of Appeals effective March 23, 2006, to replace Judge Hilda R. Gage.

During her tenure as a circuit judge, Judge Servitto was instrumental in implementing innovative programs, such as a seminar for divorcing parents aimed at helping their children cope with divorce and a drug court program that provides treatment and intensive supervision to nonviolent, drug-addicted felons. She was also one of the founding directors of Care House, a child-friendly haven for young victims of sexual and physical abuse.

In November 2006, Judge Servitto was elected to a full 6-year term to the Court of Appeals, District 2, which includes the counties of Macomb, Oakland, and Genesee. She was reelected in 2012.

Third District Judges

JUDGE

JANE M. BECKERING

Term expires January 1, 2025

Judge Jane M. Beckering has served on the Michigan Court of Appeals since 2007. Prior to taking the bench, Judge Beckering was a trial attorney for 17 years. She began her career at McDermott, Will & Emery, LLP, in Chicago, Illinois, before she returned to her hometown of Grand Rapids, Michigan and later founded the law firm of Buchanan & Beckering, PLC. Judge Beckering received her undergraduate degree, with distinction, from the University of Michigan and her law degree, *cum laude*, from the University of Wisconsin. As a practicing lawyer, she was AV rated by Martindale-Hubbell, earned listing in *The Best Lawyers in America*, and was named one of the “Top 100 Lawyers” and “Top 50 Women Lawyers” by *Michigan Super Lawyer*.

Judge Beckering is the Chief Judge Pro Tempore of the Court of Appeals. She is a member of the Michigan Supreme Court Committee on Model Civil Jury Instructions and serves on the Steering Committee for the Hillman Advocacy Program, a learn-by-doing three-day trial skills workshop sponsored by the Western District of Michigan Chapter of the Federal Bar Association and the United States District Court for the Western District of Michigan. Judge Beckering is a regular contributor to the *Institute of Continuing Legal Education (ICLE)* and serves as a co-consulting editor and chapter author of its litigation practice manual, *Michigan Civil Procedure*.

JUDGE

MARK T. BOONSTRA

Term expires January 1, 2027

Judge Boonstra was appointed to the Michigan Court of Appeals in March 2012, and subsequently was elected in 2012 and 2014. In addition to his appellate duties, Judge Boonstra began serving a 2-year term on the Michigan Court of Claims, by appointment of the Michigan Supreme Court, effective May 1, 2015. Before joining the Court of Appeals, Judge Boonstra was a senior principal in the law firm of Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone, PLC, where he practiced law for 27 years, including serving as a deputy chair of the firm’s Litigation Practice Group and as cochair of its Appellate Practice Section. At the time of his appointment, Judge Boonstra was recognized in *Best Lawyers in America* in the areas of Antitrust Law, Appellate Practice, Bet-the-Company Litigation, Commercial Litigation, Litigation—Antitrust, Litigation—First Amendment, and Litigation—Securities. He also served as a law clerk to the Honorable Ralph B. Guy Jr., of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan.

Judge Boonstra holds degrees from both Michigan State University, where he graduated Phi Beta Kappa with a bachelor’s degree in Political Science, and the University of Michigan, where he graduated with both a juris doctor degree and a master of applied economics degree.

In addition to serving many community and civic organizations, Judge Boonstra has been active in the State Bar of Michigan—including serving in the Representative Assembly, 2005 to 2011 and as chair of the Antitrust, Franchising, and Trade Regulation Section, 2000 to 2001—as well as the Federal Bar Association and various local bar associations, including as a founding member of the Washtenaw American Inn of Court, 2011. He currently serves as chair of the State of Michigan Supreme Court Committee on the Model Civil Jury Instructions and as vice chair of the State of Michigan Retirement Board. He has been an author of, or contributor to, a number of legal publications and presentations.

JUDGE

JANE E. MARKEY

Term expires January 1, 2027

Judge Markey was elected to the Court in 1994 and reelected in 2002, 2008 and 2014. Judge Markey received her B.A., with high honors in Spanish/Secondary Education, from Michigan State University and her law degree, *cum laude*, from Thomas M. Cooley Law School. She served as the first Editor-in-Chief of Thomas M. Cooley Law School.

Judge Markey began her legal career as a prehearing attorney/law clerk for the Michigan Court of Appeals. She then entered private practice with the law firms of Baxter & Hammond and then Dykema Gossett, specializing in civil litigation.

She was elected to the 61st District Court serving the City of Grand Rapids in 1990 and reelected in 1992. Judge Markey is a member of the State Bar of Michigan and the Western Michigan University/TMC Board of Directors and Executive Committee, 1995 to present. She has previously served on the State Bar Grievance Committee, 1990 to 1992 and as a hearing panelist for the State of Michigan Attorney Discipline Board, 1989 to 1995, the Academic Advisory Committee for District Court, 1993 to 1995 and currently is assigned to the Quality Review, Personnel, and ACE Award Committees for the Court of Appeals.

Judge Markey is also a long-time member of the board of directors for Alternative Directions and has served as a speaker/faculty member for numerous entities, including the National Institute of Trial Advocacy, the Hillman Advocacy Program U.S. District Court, Western District, Michigan Judicial Institute, Institute of Continuing Legal Education, the Lawyers' Show, National Conference of Law Review Boards, Appellate Bench Bar Conferences and graduation commencement speaker for WMU/TMC. In 2012, Judge Markey was selected One of West Michigan's 50 Most Influential Women.

JUDGE

JAMES ROBERT REDFORD

Term expires January 1, 2023

Judge Redford was appointed to the Court of Appeals in 2018. Prior to his appointment, he was the Director of the Michigan Veterans Affairs Agency and previously served as Governor Rick Snyder's Chief Legal Counsel from January 2015 until February 2016.

Judge Redford was a Kent County Circuit Judge from 2003 until 2015. Prior to his election to the trial bench, he was in private practice with Plunkett Cooney and served as an Assistant United States Attorney in the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Western District of Michigan and on active duty in the United States Navy Judge Advocate General's Corps for five years. In addition to his active duty military service, he served in the Navy Reserves for 23 years in a variety of assignments including commanding officer of the Navy Reserve Trial Judiciary and five years as a trial judge in the Navy-Marine Corps Trial Judiciary. Judge Redford transferred to the retired-reserve list in August 2012 at the rank of Captain.

Judge Redford has been active in many Bar and community organizations. He has served on and been chair of the Michigan Supreme Court Model Civil Jury Instructions Committee. He is a lifelong member of the Boy Scouts of America. He has also served on several non-profit boards including the Boy Scouts of America, Gerald R. Ford Council and the West Michigan Shores Council of the Girl Scouts of America.

Judge Redford received his bachelor of science in Business Administration from John Carroll University in Cleveland, Ohio in 1982 and his juris doctor from the University of Detroit School of Law in 1985.

JUDGE

DAVID H. SAWYER

Term expires January 1, 2023

The Honorable David H. Sawyer was elected to the Court of Appeals in 1986. He was elected to the Judicial Tenure Commission by his fellow Court of Appeals judges for a term that began January 1, 2010. He has served as the commission's chairperson, vice-chairperson, and secretary. Judge Sawyer currently serves on the State of Michigan Retirement Board. He served as Chief Judge Pro Tem of the Michigan Court of Appeals from November 2009 through December 2014. Before being elected to the bench, he was the Kent County Prosecuting Attorney from 1977 to 1987. Judge Sawyer is a past president of the Michigan Prosecuting Attorneys Association. He received his bachelor of science degree from the University of Arizona in 1970 and received his law degree from Valparaiso University School of Law in 1973.

JUDGE

DOUGLAS B. SHAPIRO

Term expires January 1, 2025

Judge Shapiro was appointed to the Court in 2009. Before taking the bench, Judge Shapiro was a partner in the law firm of Muth and Shapiro, P.C., where he practiced civil litigation in both trial and appellate courts for 17 years. Earlier in his career he served as an assistant defender with the state Appellate Defender Office, focusing on criminal appeals. He began his career as a law clerk to state Supreme Court Justice James H. Brickley. Judge Shapiro received his undergraduate degree in history from the University of Michigan in 1983 and his law degree from the University of Michigan Law School in 1986.

Fourth District Judges

JUDGE

STEPHEN L. BORRELLO

Term expires January 1, 2025

Judge Borrello was appointed to the Court of Appeals in 2003, elected in 2004, and reelected in 2006 and 2012. He served as an attorney and partner with the law firm Gilbert, Smith & Borrello, P.C., in Saginaw, Michigan. Judge Borrello also served as an assistant prosecuting attorney from 1988 to 1990 in Saginaw County. He earned his B.A. from Albion College and his J.D. from the Detroit College of Law. He is currently an adjunct professor in the Department of Criminal Justice at Saginaw Valley State University where he teaches Criminal Procedure and Evidence.

JUDGE

MICHAEL F. GADOLA

Term expires January 1, 2023

Judge Gadola was appointed to the Court effective January 5, 2015. He is a graduate of Michigan State University's James Madison College (B.A., 1985) and graduated with honors from the Wayne State University Law School (J.D., 1990), where he served as Editor-in-Chief of the *Wayne Law Review*. He practiced law with the Dickinson Wright law firm in both Detroit and Lansing. He served as Deputy Legal Counsel, Counsel for Executive Organization, and Director of the Office of Regulatory Reform for Governor John Engler. He went on to serve as House Majority Counsel in the Michigan Legislature and as Michigan Supreme Court Counsel. He then served as Legal Counsel to Governor Rick Snyder. Judge Gadola is a fellow of the Michigan State Bar Foundation, a member of the Michigan Supreme Court Historical Society, a member of the Advisory Board for the Michigan Chapter of the Federalist Society, and is a former chairman of the Saint Vincent Catholic Charities board of directors and former board member of the Boys & Girls Club of Lansing.

JUDGE

MICHAEL J. KELLY

Term expires January 1, 2027

Judge Kelly was elected to the Court of Appeals in 2008. After serving as a judicial advisory assistant to a circuit court judge, he worked as a trial lawyer in private practice for 20 years. He attended Michigan State University and earned his B.A. from the University of Michigan-Flint in 1984. Following his enrollment at the Detroit College of Law, he was accepted as a participant in the London Law Program at Regents College in London, England in 1987 and received his juris doctor from the Detroit College of Law in 1988.

JUDGE

AMY RONAYNE KRAUSE

Term expires January 1, 2027

Judge Amy Ronayne Krause was appointed to the Court of Appeals in November of 2010. Previously, she served as a judge on the 54-A District Court in Lansing for nearly eight years. Judge Ronayne Krause received her bachelor of arts from the University of Michigan and her juris doctor from the University of Notre Dame.

Judge Ronayne Krause began her legal career as a litigation attorney for a private law firm and then served eight years as an assistant prosecuting attorney. In 1997, she was appointed an assistant attorney general by then Attorney General Frank J. Kelley and was the first recipient of the Frank J. Kelley Award for Excellence in Trial Advocacy. Judge Ronayne Krause worked for the attorney general's office for six years. Prior to taking the bench, Judge Ronayne Krause was elected to serve on the Ingham County Board of Commissioners, during which time she chaired the Law and Courts committee. She is an adjunct professor for the Thomas M. Cooley Law School and has lectured for the Prosecuting Attorney Association of Michigan. She has also taught for the Michigan Judicial Institute, including teaching other district judges at the New

Judges Seminar in 2007 and 2009. Judge Ronayne Krause has also served as faculty for the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges, training other judges on a national level.

In September 2007, Judge Ronayne Krause was recognized statewide for her outstanding work with the State Bar of Michigan's Champion of Justice Award. She has previously served her community as a board member with the Lansing Educational Advancement Foundation and the Uplift Our Youth Foundation. Currently, she serves on the American Red Cross board of directors for the Great Lakes Region. Judge Ronayne Krause was appointed in 2011 by the Speaker of the House and the Senate Majority Leader to the State Drug Treatment Court Advisory Committee and in 2013 became chair of the committee.

Judge Ronayne Krause and her husband, Kurt E. Krause, live in the mid-Michigan area.

JUDGE

MICHELLE M. RICK

Term expires January 1, 2027

The Honorable Michelle Rick was elected to the Michigan Court of Appeals bench in November 2020, and began serving her term in January 2021. Judge Rick represents the 4th Judicial District. Judge Rick served as a trial judge for the 29th Circuit Court from 2007- 2020. Before that, Judge Rick worked briefly as a private practitioner before transitioning to a career in public service. That service included working as an assistant prosecutor, a senior assistant attorney general for the State of Michigan, and deputy legal counsel to Michigan's Governor Jennifer M. Granholm.

Judge Rick is a graduate of Michigan State University and the University of Detroit Mercy School of Law. She is a member of the UDM Law Justice Frank Murphy Honor Society. Judge Rick is a District Director for the National Association of Women Judges. She is an Officer of the Michigan Judges Association and a member of the State Bar of Michigan Judicial Council. Judge Rick is a member of the Michigan Bar Association Limited Scope Representation work group, and she serves as an advisor to the State Bar Affordable Legal Services committee. Judge Rick is also a committee member of the State Bar Corrections and Prisons section.

In 2015, the Women Lawyers Association of Mid-Michigan awarded Judge Rick the Carolyn A. Stell Award. January 2019, the Michigan Supreme Court recognized Judge Rick as a judge who gives back and makes a difference. In 2020, the State Bar of Michigan awarded Judge Rick and select University of Detroit Mercy School of Law faculty and students the Kimberly M. Cahill Bar Leadership Award. The award was given for creating and executing "Project Access," a traveling expungement clinic that brought expungement relief to 6 rural communities in Michigan's northern Lower Peninsula.

Judge Rick teaches Access to Justice at Detroit Mercy Law School. She is a frequent guest speaker and lecturer at various statewide and local law-related events. Judge Rick is a Michigan State Bar Foundation Fellow and an American Bar Foundation Fellow. Judge Rick is married to her college sweetheart, Matthew, and they have 4 children.

JUDGE

BROCK A. SWARTZLE

Term expires January 1, 2023

Judge Brock A. Swartzle was appointed to the Court in 2017. Prior to joining the bench, Judge Swartzle was Chief of Staff for the Speaker of the Michigan House of Representatives, as well as General Counsel for the House, where he worked on numerous legal and policy issues, including the Detroit bankruptcy settlement package. Judge Swartzle was previously a litigation partner with Honigman Miller Schwartz and Cohn LLP, where he practiced in antitrust, healthcare fraud, white-collar crime, securities, and other areas. Judge Swartzle had extensive experience in federal court prior to joining the Michigan Court of Appeals, clerking for three years in both the Eastern District of Michigan and the Western District of Michigan, as well as four years with the Hon. David W. McKeague on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit.

Judge Swartzle currently sits on the editorial board of the American Bar Association's *Appellate Practice Journal*, a publication for which he was Co-Editor-in-Chief for several years, as well as on the George Mason Law & Economics Center's Judicial Education Advisory Board. He has authored numerous legal articles as well as co-authored a chapter in the practitioner treatise, *Business and Commercial Litigation in Federal Courts* (West). Judge Swartzle received his B.S. with distinction from the University of Michigan and his J.D. with honors from George Mason University School of Law, where he served on the George Mason Law Review Board of Editors.

Judge Swartzle is married with three children. He volunteers with the U of M Club of Greater Lansing and is a member of the Williamston United Methodist Church.