

**DESIGNATION OF A SENIOR UNITED STATES JUDGE  
FOR SERVICE WITHIN THE CIRCUIT**

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The Honorable Kermit V. Lipez, Senior Circuit Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit, having indicated that he is willing and able to perform the duties of district judge in the United States District Court for the District of Maine during the period beginning on January 1, 2026, and ending on December 31, 2026;

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in me by Title 28, United States Code, Section 294(b), (c), and (e), I do hereby designate and assign the Honorable Kermit V. Lipez to perform the duties of district judge in the United States District Court for the District of Maine during the period aforesaid and for such additional time in advance thereof to prepare or thereafter as may be required to complete unfinished business.

  
Chief Judge

Dated: November 19, 2025  
First Circuit

**DESIGNATION OF A SENIOR UNITED STATES JUDGE  
FOR SERVICE WITHIN THE CIRCUIT**

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The Honorable William J. Kayatta, Jr., Senior Circuit Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit, having indicated that he is willing and able to perform the duties of district judge in the United States District Court for the District of Maine during the period beginning on January 1, 2026, and ending on December 31, 2026;

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in me by Title 28, United States Code, Section 294(b), (c), and (e), I do hereby designate and assign the Honorable William J. Kayatta, Jr., to perform the duties of district judge in the United States District Court for the District of Maine during the period aforesaid and for such additional time in advance thereof to prepare or thereafter as may be required to complete unfinished business.



Chief Judge

Dated: November 19, 2025  
First Circuit

**DESIGNATION OF CIRCUIT JUDGE  
FOR SERVICE IN A DISTRICT COURT WITHIN THE CIRCUIT**

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WHEREAS, in my judgment the public interest so requires; Now, therefore, pursuant to the provisions of Title 28, United States Code, Section 291(b), I do hereby designate and assign the Honorable Joshua D. Dunlap, Circuit Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit, to hold a district court in the District of Maine during the period beginning on January 1, 2026, and ending on December 31, 2026, and for such additional time in advance thereof to prepare for the trial of cases, or thereafter as may be required to complete unfinished business.

  
Chief Judge

Dated: November 19, 2025  
First Circuit

**DESIGNATION OF A SENIOR UNITED STATES JUDGE  
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The Honorable George Z. Singal, Senior District Judge of the United States District Court for the District of Maine, having indicated that he is willing and able to perform the duties of district judge in the United States District Court for the District of Maine during the period beginning on January 1, 2026, and ending on December 31, 2026;

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in me by Title 28, United States Code, Section 294(b), (c), and (e), I do hereby designate and assign the Honorable George Z. Singal to perform the duties of district judge in the United States District Court for the District of Maine during the period aforesaid and for such additional time in advance thereof to prepare or thereafter as may be required to complete unfinished business.



Chief Judge

Dated: November 19, 2025  
First Circuit

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The Honorable John A. Woodcock, Jr., Senior District Judge of the United States District Court for the District of Maine, having indicated that he is willing and able to perform the duties of district judge in the United States District Court for the District of Maine during the period beginning on January 1, 2026, and ending on December 31, 2026;

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in me by Title 28, United States Code, Section 294(b), (c), and (e), I do hereby designate and assign the Honorable John A. Woodcock, Jr., to perform the duties of district judge in the United States District Court for the District of Maine during the period aforesaid and for such additional time in advance thereof to prepare or thereafter as may be required to complete unfinished business.



Chief Judge

Dated: November 19, 2025  
First Circuit

**DESIGNATION OF DISTRICT JUDGE  
FOR SERVICE IN ANOTHER DISTRICT WITHIN THE CIRCUIT**

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WHEREAS, in my judgment the public interest so requires; Now, therefore, pursuant to the provisions of Title 28, United States Code, Section 292(b), I do hereby designate and assign the Honorable Samantha D. Elliott, Chief District Judge of the United States District Court for the District of New Hampshire, to hold a district court in the District of Maine during the period beginning on January 1, 2026, and ending on December 31, 2026, and for such additional time in advance thereof to prepare for the trial of cases, or thereafter as may be required to complete unfinished business.

  
Chief Judge

Dated: November 19, 2025  
First Circuit

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The Honorable Paul J. Barbadoro, Senior District Judge of the United States District Court for the District of New Hampshire, having indicated that he is willing and able to perform the duties of district judge in the United States District Court for the District of Maine during the period beginning on January 1, 2026, and ending on December 31, 2026;

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in me by Title 28, United States Code, Section 294(b), (c), and (e), I do hereby designate and assign the Honorable Paul J. Barbadoro to perform the duties of district judge in the United States District Court for the District of Maine during the period aforesaid and for such additional time in advance thereof to prepare or thereafter as may be required to complete unfinished business.

  
Chief Judge

Dated: November 19, 2025  
First Circuit



**DESIGNATION OF A SENIOR UNITED STATES JUDGE  
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The Honorable Steven J. McAuliffe, Senior District Judge of the United States District Court for the District of New Hampshire, having indicated that he is willing and able to perform the duties of district judge in the United States District Court for the District of Maine during the period beginning on January 1, 2026, and ending on December 31, 2026;

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in me by Title 28, United States Code, Section 294(b), (c), and (e), I do hereby designate and assign the Honorable Steven J. McAuliffe to perform the duties of district judge in the United States District Court for the District of Maine during the period aforesaid and for such additional time in advance thereof to prepare or thereafter as may be required to complete unfinished business.

  
Chief Judge

Dated: November 19, 2025  
First Circuit



**DESIGNATION OF DISTRICT JUDGE  
FOR SERVICE IN ANOTHER DISTRICT WITHIN THE CIRCUIT**

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WHEREAS, in my judgment the public interest so requires; Now, therefore, pursuant to the provisions of Title 28, United States Code, Section 292(b), I do hereby designate and assign the Honorable Joseph N. Laplante, District Judge of the United States District Court for the District of New Hampshire, to hold a district court in the District of Maine during the period beginning on January 1, 2026, and ending on December 31, 2026, and for such additional time in advance thereof to prepare for the trial of cases, or thereafter as may be required to complete unfinished business.

  
Chief Judge

Dated: November 19, 2025  
First Circuit

**DESIGNATION OF DISTRICT JUDGE  
FOR SERVICE IN ANOTHER DISTRICT WITHIN THE CIRCUIT**

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WHEREAS, in my judgment the public interest so requires; Now, therefore, pursuant to the provisions of Title 28, United States Code, Section 292(b), I do hereby designate and assign the Honorable Landya B. McCafferty, District Judge of the United States District Court for the District of New Hampshire, to hold a district court in the District of Maine during the period beginning on January 1, 2026, and ending on December 31, 2026, and for such additional time in advance thereof to prepare for the trial of cases, or thereafter as may be required to complete unfinished business.

  
Chief Judge

Dated: November 19, 2025  
First Circuit

**DESIGNATION OF DISTRICT JUDGE  
FOR SERVICE IN ANOTHER DISTRICT WITHIN THE CIRCUIT**

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WHEREAS, in my judgment the public interest so requires; Now, therefore, pursuant to the provisions of Title 28, United States Code, Section 292(b), I do hereby designate and assign the Honorable John J. McConnell, Jr., Chief District Judge of the United States District Court for the District of Rhode Island, to hold a district court in the District of Maine during the period beginning on January 1, 2026, and ending on December 31, 2026, and for such additional time in advance thereof to prepare for the trial of cases, or thereafter as may be required to complete unfinished business.



Chief Judge

Dated: November 19, 2025  
First Circuit

**DESIGNATION OF DISTRICT JUDGE  
FOR SERVICE IN ANOTHER DISTRICT WITHIN THE CIRCUIT**

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WHEREAS, in my judgment the public interest so requires; Now, therefore, pursuant to the provisions of Title 28, United States Code, Section 292(b), I do hereby designate and assign the Honorable Mary S. McElroy, District Judge of the United States District Court for the District of Rhode Island, to hold a district court in the District of Maine during the period beginning on January 1, 2026, and ending on December 31, 2026, and for such additional time in advance thereof to prepare for the trial of cases, or thereafter as may be required to complete unfinished business.

  
Chief Judge

Dated: November 19, 2025  
First Circuit

**DESIGNATION OF DISTRICT JUDGE  
FOR SERVICE IN ANOTHER DISTRICT WITHIN THE CIRCUIT**

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WHEREAS, in my judgment the public interest so requires; Now, therefore, pursuant to the provisions of Title 28, United States Code, Section 292(b), I do hereby designate and assign the Honorable Melissa R. DuBose, District Judge of the United States District Court for the District of Rhode Island, to hold a district court in the District of Maine during the period beginning on January 1, 2026, and ending on December 31, 2026, and for such additional time in advance thereof to prepare for the trial of cases, or thereafter as may be required to complete unfinished business.

  
Chief Judge

Dated: November 19, 2025  
First Circuit