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CLERK'S ALERT

Commissioner Monica Cary, Angela Kaake to be Sworn in to Superior Court

King County Superior Court looks forward to welcoming its newest judges. Presiding Judge Ketu Shah will swear in Commissioner Monica Cary on Monday, March 18, 2024, and Ms. Angela Kaake on Wednesday, March 20, 2024. Both were appointed by Gov. Inslee in February to replace judges who retired.

Commissioner Cary, who is to become Judge Cary, has served as a family court commissioner at the King County Superior Court since 2022. During this time, she presided over numerous family law matters, including family law motions, civil protection orders, truancy, and at-risk youth in need of services. From 2013 to 2018, she also served as a King County family law commissioner pro tem. Prior to becoming a judicial officer, Cary worked for more than 18 years at the DuBois Cary Law Group, becoming an owner and partner in 2010. Gov. Inslee appointed her to replace Judge Matthew Segal, who retired in January. She is assigned to Unified Family Court at the Maleng Region Justice Center in Kent.

Ms. Kaake has served as a prosecuting attorney at the King County Prosecuting Attorney's Office (KCPAO) for more than 22 years. Over the last five years, she held a trial supervisory position, in which she mentored, advised, and developed over 35 attorneys. Ms. Kaake also assisted in starting a partnership between the KCPAO and the YWCA to provide services to victims of gender-based violence who have been arrested or charged as defendants. Gov. Inslee appointed her to replace Judge Chad Allred, who retired in January. She is assigned to civil trials at the King County Courthouse in Seattle.

Commissioner Cary earned her bachelor's degree from Franklin and Marshall College. She earned her law degree from the Northwestern School of Law of Lewis and Clark College. Ms. Kaake earned her bachelor's degree from the University of Washington and her law degree from Seattle University School of Law.