

THE HONORABLE ERROL R. ARTHUR
ASSOCIATE JUDGE
SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Errol R. Arthur was nominated by President Joseph R. Biden Jr. to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia on December 15, 2021. His nomination was confirmed by the United States Senate on December 15, 2022.

Judge Arthur served as a Magistrate Judge in the Superior Court of the District of Columbia from August 2010 until his confirmation as an Associate Judge. Since his appointment, he has served in the Criminal Division, Domestic Violence Division, and Family Court. From 2017 until 2021, he served as the Presiding and Deputy Presiding Magistrate Judge, and on the Chief Judge's Judicial Leadership Team and numerous court committees. Judge Arthur has presided over numerous bench trials in neglect and abuse cases, as well as arraignments and detention hearings in both juvenile and adult cases. Judge Arthur has also served as a visiting faculty member of Harvard Law School's Trial Advocacy Workshop, adjunct professor at the Georgetown University Law Center, and Chair of the Washington Bar Association's Judicial Council.

Before his appointment to the Court, Judge Arthur joined the Public Defender Service for the District of Columbia (PDS) as a staff attorney in 1999, and opened his own law practice in 2002. While at PDS and in private practice, he represented individuals in the D.C. Superior Court, Maryland's Circuit and District Courts, United States Parole Commission, and the District of Columbia Department of Youth Rehabilitation Services. In 2008, Judge Arthur was appointed as Chairman of the District of Columbia Board of Elections and Ethics and served as an adjunct professor and supervising attorney with the Howard University School of Law's Criminal Justice Clinic.

A native Washingtonian, Judge Arthur graduated from St. John's College High School in 1990 and received a Bachelor of Arts degree in English from the University of Maryland in 1994. He received his law degree from the Howard University School of Law in 1998. Following law school, Judge Arthur clerked for the Honorable Mary A. Gooden Terrell in the D.C. Superior Court.