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Chief Judge Kim Cudney

Kim Cudney reappointed chief judge of 12th Judicial District

TOPEKA — Chief Justice Lawton R. Nuss announced today the Supreme Court has reappointed Judge Kim W. Cudney to a two-year term as chief judge of the 12th Judicial District, effective January 1, 2018, to December 31, 2019.

Cudney has served as district judge and chief judge in the 12th Judicial District since 2006. She presides over cases in Cloud, Jewell, Lincoln, Mitchell, Republic, and Washington counties.

"We are glad that Judge Cudney agreed to serve another two years as chief judge, providing continuity in capable leadership in the 12th Judicial District," said Nuss.

"It is with continuing gratitude that I have been selected by the people of our district to serve as district judge," Cudney said. "As chief judge for the 12th Judicial District, I look forward to implementing more efficient services and speedy justice for all who are involved in the court system."

Cudney is a native of Washington County and graduated from Kansas State University and Washburn University School of Law. She served as a research attorney for the Kansas Supreme Court and the U.S. District Court. She had a private law practice in Washington, Kansas, where she also served as county attorney before becoming a judge.

Each of Kansas' 31 judicial districts has a chief judge who, in addition to his or her judicial responsibilities, has general control over case assignments within the district, as well as general supervisory authority over the administrative and clerical functions of the court.

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