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Judge P. Kevin Brobson Sworn in as newest Justice of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania

HARRISBURG – Chief Justice of Pennsylvania Max Baer today officially welcomed Justice P. Kevin Brobson as a member of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania following his swearing-in ceremony.

Surrounded by his wife and children, Brobson took the oath of office administered by Commonwealth Court President Judge Emerita Mary Hannah Leavitt in the Supreme Court Courtroom, Harrisburg.

A resident of Dauphin County, Justice Brobson is the 178th member to serve on the Court and the third Commonwealth Court judge elected to the Supreme Court.

A ceremonial event originally scheduled for Jan. 7 has been postponed due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

"I and all of Justice Brobson's new colleagues welcome him to the Court," said Supreme Court of Pennsylvania Chief Justice Max Baer. "We look forward to a joyous celebration with Kevin, Lauren and all of their family and friends when Omicron has abated."

Before his election to the Supreme Court, Brobson served for more than a decade as a judge of the Commonwealth Court, one of Pennsylvania's two intermediate appellate courts. In 2020, his colleagues selected him to serve as president judge. He served in that capacity until his installation on the high court. He also served a four-year appointed term on the Judicial Conduct Board of Pennsylvania, where he served as Board chair in the final year of his term.

In the early years of his career, Brobson served as a clerk for the Honorable James McGirr Kelly of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District. He entered general practice in 1996 with Buchanan Ingersoll PC and from 2016 to 2018 joined Widener University Commonwealth Law School as a Jurist-in-Residence.

Justice Brobson received his bachelor's degree in accounting and economics from Lycoming College in 1992 and his juris doctorate from Widener University School of Law in 1995.

Established in 1722, the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania is the oldest appellate court in the country and has played an important role in the history of the Commonwealth. As the state's highest court, the seven justices make the final decisions interpreting Pennsylvania's laws and Constitution, have full administrative authority over Pennsylvania's judicial system and hear cases involving issues of immediate public importance arising in any court in the Commonwealth.

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