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THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON WELCOMES DISTRICT JUDGE KYMBERLY K. EVANSON

On September 7, 2023, before her family, friends, judges and court staff, Judge Kymberly K. Evanson was sworn in by Chief Judge David G. Estudillo to be a United States District Judge for the Western District of Washington, seated in Seattle. Judge Evanson's appointment fills a judgeship vacant since January 1, 2020, when District Judge Ricardo S. Martinez assumed senior status.

Judge Evanson was a partner at Pacifica Law Group LLP in Seattle since 2015 and was an associate in 2011 when she joined the firm at its founding. At Pacifica, she has represented public, private and not-for-profit clients in a variety of trial and appellate litigation matters, including cases arising under the First Amendment, the Americans with Disabilities Act, and state and federal constitutions and statutes. Before joining Pacifica, she was an associate from 2009 to 2011 in the Appellate, Governmental and Constitutional Law Group of K&L Gates LLP (formerly Preston, Gates & Ellis) in Seattle.

Born in Longview, Washington, Judge Evanson earned her Bachelor of Arts, magna cum laude, from Seattle University, in 1999 and her Juris Doctor, cum laude, in 2007 from Georgetown University Law Center, where she was an articles and notes editor of the Georgetown Journal of Gender and the Law. Following law school, she clerked for District Judge Emmet G. Sullivan of the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia from 2007 to 2008.

Judge Evanson has volunteered with legal organizations including the Seattle Clemency Project, the American Civil Liberties Union of Washington and the International Municipal Lawyers Association. She also served as a board member of Legal Voice in Seattle from 2016 to 2022. Additionally, from 2017 to 2022, she served as co-chair of the Federal Bar Association of the Western District of Washington's Constitution Day Committee and as a volunteer attorney for its Federal Civil Rights Clinic since 2013.