



United States District Court
for the District of Columbia
333 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20001

Media Advisory

Moxila A. Upadhyaya Sworn in as United States Magistrate Judge

WASHINGTON, D.C. September 7, 2022. **Moxila A. Upadhyaya** was sworn in today to serve an eight-year term as Magistrate Judge, filling a newly authorized position on the Court. She will preside over civil and criminal matters in Courtroom 5 of the E. Barrett Prettyman United States Courthouse.

Until recently, Ms. Upadhyaya was a partner at Venable LLP, with a practice focused on complex civil litigation. Her substantial *pro bono* work included a successful petition for review under the D.C. Innocence Protection Act. Ms. Upadhyaya began her legal career as a law clerk to then-Chief Judge Eric T. Washington of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals. She later served as a law clerk to the Hon. Robert L. Wilkins during his tenure as a District Judge on this Court. Ms. Upadhyaya received a Bachelor of Arts degree, with honors in Latin, from the University of Missouri and a Bachelor of Journalism degree, *magna cum laude*, from the Missouri School of Journalism. She received her J.D., *cum laude*, from Washington College of Law at American University.

Ms. Upadhyaya was selected by the Court following a comprehensive selection process. The Court's Merit Selection Panel was chaired by Ana Reyes, Esq.

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