



United States District Court for the District of Columbia

Media Advisory

Ana C. Reyes Sworn in as United States District Judge

WASHINGTON, D.C. **Ana C. Reyes** was sworn in as a United States District Judge for the District of Columbia on February 22, 2023 by Chief Judge Beryl A. Howell, assuming the seat previously held by Judge Colleen Kollar-Kotelly. Judge Reyes will preside over civil and criminal matters in Courtroom 12 of the E. Barrett Prettyman United States Courthouse.

Judge Reyes was born in Montevideo, Uruguay and grew up in Louisville, Kentucky. She spent her pre-judicial career at Williams & Connolly LLP, where she served as the co-chair of the firm's International Disputes practice group and on its Executive Committee. Her practice focused on international litigation, representing foreign governments, foreign government officials, and multinational companies. Judge Reyes also worked on patent, legal malpractice, and other complex civil litigation matters, and she devoted substantial time to assisting refugees and organizations that assist refugees in obtaining asylum. Judge Reyes began her legal career as a law clerk to the Hon. Amalya L. Kearsse of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit. She received her J.D., magna cum laude, from Harvard Law School, her M.I.P.P., with honors, from the School of Advanced International Studies at Johns Hopkins University, and her B.A., summa cum laude, from Transylvania University. A naturalized citizen herself, Judge Reyes looks forward to her turn in presiding over naturalization ceremonies.

Judge Kollar-Kotelly assumed senior status upon the appointment of Judge Reyes.

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