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Governor Baker Makes Two Judicial Nominations

BOSTON – Today, Governor Charlie Baker nominated Anthony M. Campo as an Associate Justice of the Superior Court and Linda M. Medonis as an Associate Justice of the Probate and Family Court. Campo has nearly thirty years of experience in the private sector across New England. Medonis has spent nearly three decades working on family law and probate matters within the Commonwealth.

“Anthony Campo and Linda Medonis have admirably served the people and communities of the Commonwealth with dedication and integrity throughout their careers encompassing almost three decades,” **said Governor Charlie Baker.** “I have the utmost confidence they will continue to bring fairness and compassion to the respective courts, and am pleased to recommend them for the Governor’s Council’s consideration.”

Campo is nominated for the seat vacated by The Honorable Charles J. Hely on the Superior Court, and Mednois for the seat vacated by The Honorable Kevin R. Connelly on the Probate and Family Court in Suffolk when he moved to the Plymouth vacant seat.

“Both of these attorneys have exhibited remarkable skill and dedication throughout their long and established careers,” **said Lt. Governor Karyn Polito.** “The depth of knowledge they will bring to the courts, if confirmed, will be beneficial to the attorneys and citizens of Massachusetts appearing before them.”

The Superior Court is a statewide court of general jurisdiction - handling both criminal and civil actions. The court’s 82 justices sit in 20 courthouses in all 14 counties of the Commonwealth. The Superior Court has original jurisdiction in civil actions over \$25,000, and in matters where equitable relief is sought. It also has original jurisdiction in actions including

labor disputes where injunctive relief is sought, has exclusive authority to convene medical malpractice tribunals, has appellate jurisdiction over certain administrative proceedings, and may hold sittings for naturalization in any city or town. The court has exclusive original jurisdiction of first degree murder cases and original jurisdiction of all other crimes.

For more information about the Superior Court, visit <http://www.mass.gov/courts/court-info/trial-court/sc/>.

The Probate and Family Court Department has jurisdiction over family-related and probate matters such as divorce, paternity, child support, custody, parenting time, adoption, termination of parental rights, abuse prevention and wills, estates, trusts, guardianships, conservatorships, and changes of name.

For more information about the Probate & Family Court, please visit: <http://www.mass.gov/courts/court-info/trial-court/pfc/>

Judicial nominations are subject to the advice and consent of the Governor's Council. Applicants for judicial openings are reviewed by the Judicial Nominating Commission (JNC) and recommended to the governor. Governor Baker established the JNC in February, 2015 pursuant to Executive Order 558, a non-partisan, non-political Commission composed of volunteers from a cross-section of the Commonwealth's diverse population to screen judicial applications. Twenty-one members were later appointed to the JNC in April, 2015.

About Anthony M. Campo

Anthony M. Campo serves as Managing Partner of Boyle, Shaugnessy & Campo, P.C., a Boston firm overseeing over 50 lawyers in six New England states focusing on general, product, liquor, automobile and premises liability, catastrophic and trucking accidents, directors' and officers' liability and medical malpractice. Campo previously worked at Continental Insurance Companies, Underwriters Adjusting Company from 1981-1988 and as a Recovery Manager in the New England region from 1983-1988. He began his career at Safety Insurance Company in 1980. Campo has served as Chair of the Board of Trustees of Curry College since 2011, and as a member of the board since 2005. Campo graduated from Curry College in 1979 with a BA in Communications and received his JD from New England School of Law in 1988.

About Linda M. Medonis

Linda M. Medonis was appointed Deputy Court Administrator of the Probate and Family Court Department in September 2013. Medonis is responsible for the statewide operations of the Probate and Family Court Department, including developing and implementing Trial Court and Departmental Policies and Procedure, reviewing proposed legislation, legal and administrative memoranda. Ms. Medonis was previously a partner at Prince Lobel Tye focusing on domestic relations and probate litigation. Medonis began her career and became a named partner at Louison Witt & Medonis, concentrating on family law and probate matters. She currently sits on

the Child Support Guidelines Task Force and has served on the Public Access Committee. Medonis graduated from Westfield State University in 1981 with a double major in special education and elementary education. She received her J.D. from the New England School of Law in 1985.