

Scott W. Reid Appointed as United States Magistrate Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania

The United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania announces the appointment of Scott W. Reid as a United States Magistrate Judge. Judge Reid will be sworn in on May 24, 2021 and will sit in Philadelphia. Judge Reid succeeds former Magistrate Judge Thomas J. Rueter. He will be the third African American to serve as a Magistrate Judge in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

Before his appointment as a Magistrate Judge, Judge Reid served for over 6 years as an Assistant United States Attorney in the Civil Division of the United States Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. His experience included defending federal agencies and employees in Title VII, Federal Tort Claims Act, Administrative Procedure Act, *Bivens*, immigration, quiet title, tax, and some appellate litigation. His duties also included investigating and prosecuting affirmative cases on behalf of the United States under the False Claims Act, the Controlled Substances Act, and federal civil rights statutes. He served on the Critical Incident Response Team and as chair of the Summer Internship Committee, Black Affairs Program lead, co-chair of the Youth Court program, and member of the Diversity Committee. Before joining the United States Attorney's Office, Judge Reid was employed as a Member Attorney with the Cozen O'Connor law firm. In addition to his work for the United States Attorney's Office, Judge Reid serves as an Adjunct Professor of Law at the Temple University Beasley School of Law, where he teaches trial advocacy.

Judge Reid has dedicated his career to serving the legal community. During the course of his career he has served as an advisory board member and past president for the Barristers' Association of Philadelphia, member of the Widener University School of Law Board of Overseers, fellow for the Leadership Council for Legal Diversity, member of the Pennsylvania Bar Association House of Delegates and Minority Bar Committee, chair of the Philadelphia Bar Association's Diversity in the Profession Committee and member of the Board of Governors, member of the American Bar Association TIPS Leadership Academy, and member of the National Bar Association.

Judge Reid has been honored by a number of organizations. These honors include the Barristers' Association of Philadelphia's J. Austin Norris and Outstanding Young Lawyer Award, National Bar Association Women's Law Division's President's Award, National Bar Association's 40 Under 40 Award, *The Philadelphia Tribune's* Under 40 Award, West Chester University's "Drum Major for Justice Award," induction into the West Chester University Alumni Legacy of Leadership, Kappa Alpha Psi, Kappa Gamma Chapter Webb Hallman Alumni Achievement Award, and Kappa Alpha Psi, Chester Alumni Chapter Achievement Award.

Judge Reid received a Bachelor of Arts degree from West Chester University and a Juris Doctor from Widener University School of Law. While in law school, Judge Reid served as the president of the Black Law Students Association and as senior staff for the *Delaware Journal of Corporate Law*, and he received the Outstanding Student Service Award.