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CLERK'S ALERT

King County Superior Court Welcomes Judge Pro Tempore Jennifer Atchison

Jennifer Atchison begins as King County Superior Court Judge Pro Tempore today, June 27, 2022. A Judge Pro Tempore is a temporary judge, hired by the court to perform specific duties for a limited time.

Judge Atchison is assigned to the King County Courthouse in downtown Seattle, where she will handle plea and antiharassment calendars and matters related to the State v. Blake decision.

Before joining the bench, Judge Atchison was a Senior Deputy Prosecuting Attorney with the King County Prosecutor's Office in the Civil Division, where she advised agencies and departments on an array of legal matters, from civil rights enforcement to tax collection, and handled a small number of litigation cases. Prior to joining the Civil Division in 2019, Judge Atchison spent 14 years in the Criminal Division where she prosecuted a variety of misdemeanor and felony cases from investigation through appeal, as well as civil commitment cases brought under Washington's Involuntary Treatment Act.

Judge Atchison earned her B.A. in Law, Society and Justice from the University of Washington and her law degree from Seattle University School of Law.