KCSC Welcomes New Judges Joe Campagna and Jaime Hawk

King County Superior Court Presiding Judge Patrick Oishi will swear in Judge Joe Campagna and Ms. Jaime Hawk on Wednesday, August 17, 2022.

“Being a judge requires knowledge, experience, and an unwavering commitment to justice,” said Presiding Judge Patrick Oishi. “I am grateful that Judge Campagna and Ms. Hawk have dedicated themselves to serving the public. Our court, and the people of King County, will be better because of it.”

Gov. Inslee announced the appointment of Judge Campagna and Ms. Hawk on July 27, 2022. Judge Campagna will replace Judge Julia Garratt and is taking over the Department 25 caseload currently assigned to Judge Berns. Ms. Hawk will replace Judge Regina Cahan and is taking over the Department 10 caseload. Judge Garratt and Judge Cahan both retired on June 30, 2022.

Judge Campagna is currently a King County District Court Judge at the county’s Shoreline Division. He has held this position since January 2019. During his tenure, Judge Campagna developed the Shoreline Community Court and Resource Center, which provides therapeutic services to people involved in the criminal justice system. From 2007 to 2018, he worked as a litigator at Schroeter Goldmark & Bender, where he handled criminal defense and complex civil litigation matters.

Ms. Hawk has served as the Legal Strategy Director for Smart Justice, at the ACLU of Washington, since 2015, advancing criminal legal system reform. For several years before that, Ms. Hawk was a trial attorney with the Federal Defenders of Eastern Washington and Idaho, a criminal defense practice. She has also worked on civil rights class action litigation, was a federal law clerk, and served as a juvenile public defender. Ms. Hawk earlier taught juvenile law as an adjunct law professor.

Judge Campagna earned his bachelor’s degree from Houghton College and his law degree from Vermont Law School. Ms. Hawk earned both her bachelor’s and law degrees from Gonzaga University.