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THREE JUDGES APPOINTED TO DISTRICT COURT

Three accomplished NSW lawyers have been appointed as judges of the District Court of NSW, bringing many decades of legal experience to the bench.

Barrister Michael McHugh SC, Deputy Senior Crown Prosecutor Georgia Turner and barrister Kevin Andronos SC will join the District Court bench in October 2022, after long and distinguished careers in the legal profession.

Attorney General Mark Speakman said Mr McHugh, Ms Turner and Mr Andronos are each highly equipped to preside over the complex matters that come before the District Court.

“These appointees have gained significant knowledge, expertise and advocacy work over their respective legal careers, which collectively span three quarters of a century,” Mr Speakman said.

“Their expertise covers a diverse range of practice areas, including criminal law, civil matters, administrative, defamation and commercial law, across a wide range of jurisdictions.

“I wish them well as they each bring the sum total of their experience to deliver justice for the people of NSW.”

Michael McHugh SC will be sworn in on 7 October 2022, Georgia Turner on 12 October 2022 and barrister Kevin Andronos SC on 24 October 2022.

Biographies

Michael McHugh SC is a barrister with a diverse practice in a range of civil and criminal matters. He was admitted to the Bar in 1999 and appointed Senior Counsel in 2012. He is the immediate past President of the NSW Bar Association and has served as a Bar Councillor for almost 20 years.

Georgia Turner has 24 years’ experience working within the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions, rising from a Summer Clerk to Deputy Senior Crown Prosecutor. She was called to the Bar in 2015 when she was appointed a Crown Prosecutor. She has conducted extensive and complex trials in the NSW District and Supreme Courts, including for sexual assault and attempted murder.

Kevin Andronos SC is a barrister with a diverse commercial and regulatory practice. He came to the Bar in 2000 and was appointed Senior Counsel in 2014. He is also a part-time Senior Member of the NSW Civil and Administrative Tribunal (NCAT). Before joining the Bar, he was a partner at Gilbert + Tobin. He is currently the Chair of Eleven Wentworth Chambers.

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