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U.S. MAGISTRATE JUDGE ARTHUR J. BOYLAN ELEVATED TO CHIEF MAGISTRATE JUDGE

Effective August 30, 2010, U.S. Magistrate Judge Arthur J. Boylan was elevated to Chief U.S. Magistrate Judge for the District of Minnesota. He succeeds Chief Magistrate Judge Raymond L. Erickson who retired from the federal bench on August 30, 2010.

Magistrate Judge Boylan is chambered in Saint Paul, Minnesota. He is a Chicago native. He graduated from The Illinois Institute of Technology - Chicago Kent College of Law. Following graduation, he was admitted to both the Illinois and Minnesota Bar. After more than ten years of private practice, he was appointed to the Minnesota State District Court. In 1996, he was appointed a Federal Magistrate Judge.

While serving on the state bench, Judge Boylan belonged to the Minnesota Conference of Chief Judges and was a member of the Minnesota Supreme Court Committee on Judicial Evaluation. At the time of his federal appointment, Judge Boylan was the President-elect of the Minnesota District Judges Association.

In 2000, Magistrate Judge Boylan received the President's Award from the Minnesota State Bar Association. Judge Boylan is a Past President of the Minnesota chapter of the Federal Bar Association. Judge Boylan currently serves on the U.S. District Court Federal Practice Committee and was appointed as one of the court's Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) neutrals - Magistrate Judges act as Mediators when conducting settlement conferences in the many complex civil and class action cases that comprise Minnesota's Federal District Court docket. He is also a member of the Judicial Conference Committee on Judicial Security.