



**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
**District of Minnesota**  
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## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **Tony N. Leung** **Appointed U.S. Magistrate Judge**

Chief U.S. District Court Judge Michael J. Davis is pleased to announce the appointment of Tony N. Leung to the position of United States Magistrate Judge for the District of Minnesota. Leung took the oath of office in the U.S. Courthouse in Minneapolis on April 29, 2011. A formal ceremony will be held at a later date. Chief Judge Davis and his colleagues appointed an eleven member panel of attorneys and business professionals to advise the court on candidates. The panel was chaired by Bill Manning.

The Honorable Tony N. Leung has been serving the state of Minnesota as a district court judge in the Fourth Judicial District since 1994. He was appointed as a district court judge pursuant to merit selection committee by Governor Arne H. Carlson. Magistrate Judge Leung was the first Asian American judge in Minnesota. He was born in 1959 and immigrated to the United States in 1966. Prior to serving on the bench, Magistrate Judge Leung was an equity partner at the firm Faegre & Benson, LLC. He received his J.D. from New York University School of Law, and his B.A., *cum laude*, in political science from Yale University. Magistrate Judge Leung also obtained an International Exchange Diploma from Beijing (Peking) University.

United States Magistrate Judges are appointed by the Judges of the U.S. District Court for a term of eight years and are eligible for reappointment to successive terms. Leung will join Chief Magistrate Judge Boylan, Magistrate Judges Noel, Mayeron, Graham, Keyes, Brisbois, Rau, and Klein on the Magistrate Judge Bench. Magistrate Judge Leung will chamber in the St. Paul courthouse.