



Westchester County District Attorney Janet M. DiFiore Confirmed Chief Judge of New York Court of Appeals

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Attribute to John M. Viola, National Italian American Foundation (NIAF) President
"On behalf of the National Italian American Foundation's Board of Directors, we congratulate Westchester County District Attorney Janet M. DiFiore on her confirmation as chief judge of the New York Court of Appeals, the state's highest court. DiFiore was nominated in December by Governor Andrew Cuomo and confirmed by the New York Senate Judiciary Committee on Thursday, January 21, 2016. DiFiore is the second woman to become chief judge in the history of the court."



“Her career as both a county judge and prosecutor is a source of pride for the Italian American community. Her commitment and dedication serve as an inspiration for all of us. Special thanks to Governor Cuomo for making such an extraordinary decision. We know that she will serve the citizens of New York State well as chief judge.

“We are extremely proud of her distinguished career as a public servant. She has supervised criminal courts for the ninth Judicial District in the lower Hudson Valley and chairs the Joint Commission on Public Ethics in the State of New York.

“Last year at the NIAF New York Gala, Governor Cuomo joined the more than 500 guests to present the inaugural Mario M. Cuomo Award in Public Service to DiFiore. The award recognizes Italian American public servants who are known for their passion, conviction, and dedication to serving the Italian American community.

“Her integrity, hard work, and passion serve as an inspiration to all in the legal profession and beyond.

“Congratulazioni Janet!”

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