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QUEENS DISTRICT ATTORNEY MELINDA KATZ APPOINTS 5 NEW ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEYS

Class of 2023 Concludes Intensive Training Program

Queens District Attorney Melinda Katz today announced the appointment of five new assistant district attorneys to join the Queens District Attorney's Office.

District Attorney Katz said: "I am proud to welcome this group of talented professionals into the Queens District Attorney's office. I look forward to working with them in support of this office's mission to keep those who live and work in Queens County safe while helping to ensure the criminal justice system is fairer for all."

The new ADAs began their prosecutorial careers with a two-week-long training program that included lectures, courtroom observation and interactive workshops. They also learned about alternative sentencing options from members of the Rehabilitation Programs and Restorative Services Bureau. The class will later join our upcoming Fall 2023 hires for several more weeks of additional training.

These new assistants will be assigned to the District Attorney's Intake Bureau. Thereafter, they will be eligible for assignments in the Investigations or Trials Divisions.

The new prosecutors and the law schools from which they graduated are: *Matthew Thomas De Bari*, BPP University Law School; *Joshua Garton*, Maurice A. Deane School of Law at Hofstra University; *Nicholas Isaacson*, New York University School of Law; *Catherine Jungmin Kim*, The George Washington University Law School; and *Mary Frances Roth*, Fordham University School of Law.

Training for the new ADAs was supervised by Executive Assistant District Attorney for the Supreme Court Trial Division Pishoy Yacoub and led by Assistant District Attorney Courtney Finnerty, Director of Litigation Training, and Assistant District Attorney Gabriel Mendoza, Deputy Director.

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