



MESSAGE FROM
Chief Justice
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On behalf of the Court, I am pleased to present our 2025 Annual Report.

A Few Highlights from 2025:

- The Court of Chancery completed its expanded Magistrate in Chancery bench. The Court now has seven full-time Magistrates in Chancery.
- This past year, the Governor nominated, and the Senate confirmed new judicial officers to every trial court.
- We are in the final stages of a courthouse building and rehabilitation campaign across our state to improve and enhance court facilities. We opened our new Family Court courthouse in Georgetown in November. Its sister Family Court facility in Dover will open this summer and the Custom House renovation and expansion in Wilmington will not be far behind.
- The Judicial Branch conducted its first-ever statewide security review of judicial facilities. The top to bottom review generated recommendations that we will work to implement as soon as practical.
- The five-year CASCADE project is well underway to move all courts to a single, modern electronic filing, case management and document management system.
- Under the leadership of Executive Director Betsy Renzo, Delaware Law Related Education Center (DELREC), continues its important outreach and educational efforts with schools across the state, expanding their work in Kent and Sussex counties.
- Finally, starting July 1, 2025, I began a one-year term as the President of the Conference of Chief Justices and Chair of the Board of the National Center for State Courts. I follow in the footsteps of former Chief Justices Veasey and Steele to lead these organizations through challenging times.

There is always more work to do, but the future has never been brighter for Delaware’s Judicial Branch. Our success would not be possible without the hard work and dedication of our judicial officers, court staff, and justice partners. Thank you for your public service.

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Chief Justice