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Family Court's Michelle Hoffman recognized by DSBA

Director of Case Flow Management Hoffman Given Government Service Award

Family Court's Michelle Hoffman was recognized with the Delaware State Bar Association's Government Service Award for 2019. The award is presented by the Bar to a full-time government service employee in recognition for their dedicated and distinguished contribution to the administration of justice.

Hoffman received her award last month during a lunchtime ceremony, where it was presented by Family Court Chief Judge Michael Newell. "She goes above and beyond with every task. Whenever I encounter an issue... Michelle is quick to develop a solution that is well thought out, responsive and effective. Her skills and work ethic would be coveted and rewarded handsomely in the private sector but Michelle has remained committed to government service," said Chief Judge Newell.

Hoffman, who has more than 20 years of state work experience, joined Family Court in 2013 as a Management Analyst III after having worked for the Department of Service for Children Youth and their Families (DSCYF). Due to her exemplary work, she was promoted in 2016 to Director of Case Flow Management, where she oversees Family Court's case management process and is responsible for formulating and implementing its policies and procedures.

The Family Court of the State of Delaware nominated Hoffman for the bar award, citing her organized and methodical approach to her duties and her abilities as a quick thinker who is able to see the long view.

In presenting the award, Chief Judge Newell noted that he reached out to Hoffman seeking additional information from her in preparation for the presentation, but rather than provide a list of accomplishments, "Michelle asked that I recognize members of Family Court that have assisted her along the way. She is humble and quick to recognize others for their contributions rather than taking credit for herself."

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