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**JUDGE AIDA WASERSTEIN RECEIVES THE JOHN H. MATHIS  
TRAILBLAZER AWARD**

Family Court Judge Aida Waserstein today was awarded the John H. Mathis Trailblazer Award at the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Partners for Progress Summit at Delaware Technical and Community College's Terry Campus in Dover. The Partners for Progress Summit is co-sponsored by the Delaware Departments of Transportation, National Resources and Environmental Control, Correction, Education, Finance, Office of Management and Budget and State. The Summit is an opportunity for state employees and members of the community to join with the Department Cabinet Secretaries for a day of workshops and discussion of issues in the workplace and on the home front.

The John H. Mathis Trailblazer Award is given annually at the Summit to an individual, community organization, state agency and/or business organization in the area of promoting appreciation for diversity and cultural understanding. Judge Waserstein was chosen for her leadership role in promoting cultural understanding and diversity as chair of the Delaware Supreme Court's Certified Court Interpreter Program Advisory Board and her many contributions to the Hispanic Community in Delaware. Judge Waserstein has served on the Family Court bench since 1995. Prior to that she was in private practice with Christine Dempsey, Esquire. Judge Waserstein immigrated to the United States from Cuba as a teenager. She is a graduate of Bryn Mawr College and the University of Pennsylvania School of Law. Judge Waserstein is a member of the Delaware State Bar Association's Sections on Multi-Cultural Lawyers and Judges, Women and the Law, and Family Law; and the Inns of Court. She previously served on the Supreme Court's Task Force on Racial and Ethnic Fairness. She is the recipient of the Delaware State Bar Association's Young Lawyer Distinguished Service Award and the Women's Leadership Award; the Brotherhood Award of the National Conference of Christians and Jews, Delaware Region; and the Minority Women in Business Award.

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