

## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**Sept. 4, 2025**

### **The Hon. Gerard M. Spadaccini Takes the Oath of Office for the Court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware**

The Honorable Gerard M. Spadaccini publicly took the oath of office for his first term on the Court of Common Pleas for the State of Delaware on Sept. 4, 2025, in courtroom 7E of the Leonard L. Williams Justice Center.

Court of Common Pleas Judge Anne E. Hartnett welcomed the crowd to the ceremony and Chief Judge Carl C. Danberg administered the oath of office. Following the oath, Office of Defense Services Chief Defender Kevin J. O'Connell offered remarks followed by greetings from Judge Spadaccini. Rev. William Melnick of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Church offered the benediction.

Prior to joining the bench, Judge Spadaccini served as an Assistant Public Defender with the Office of Defense Services for 21 years. From 2010 until his appointment, Spadaccini led ODS's Court of Common Pleas Unit. Prior to that Judge Spadaccini served as a Deputy Principal Assistant in the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner of Delaware.

He earned his law degree from Widener University, his Master of Forensic Sciences degree from George Washington University, and his Bachelor of Science degree from Ursinus College.