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**NOTICE TO THE BAR  
DECEMBER 4, 2023**

The United States District Court for the District of New Jersey announces that Jamel Semper has been appointed as a United States District Judge. Judge Semper fills the position vacated upon District Judge John M. Vazquez leaving the bench.

Judge Semper earned his undergraduate degree from Hampton University in 2003 and his law degree from Rutgers Law School in 2007.

From 2007 to 2008 Judge Semper served as a law clerk for Judge Harold Fullilove in New Jersey's Essex County Superior Court. From 2008 to 2013 Judge Semper served as an assistant prosecutor in the Union County Prosecutor's Office and from 2013 to 2018 Judge Semper served as an assistant prosecutor in the Essex County Prosecutor's Office. Judge Semper has been an Assistant United States Attorney in the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of New Jersey since 2018, most recently serving as the Deputy Chief of the Criminal Division.

Judge Semper will assume his duties in the the Frank R. Lautenberg U.S. Post Office and Courthouse in Newark, New Jersey effective December 1, 2023. A formal investiture ceremony will be scheduled at a later date.

Please contact Melissa E. Rhoads, Clerk of Court, if you have any questions.