



Delaware Intellectual Property Update

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Laura D. Hatcher Sworn in as District of Delaware Magistrate Judge

On April 28, 2023, Laura D. Hatcher was sworn in as a Magistrate Judge for the United States District Court for the District of Delaware. She succeeds Chief Magistrate Judge Mary Pat Thynge, who retired on March 31, 2023.

Before her appointment, Magistrate Judge Hatcher served as the chief of the civil division of the United States Attorney's Office for the District of Delaware, handling a variety of civil and criminal matters. Prior to that, she worked as a litigation associate with Richards, Layton & Finger, P.A. (2007 to 2012) and DLA Piper (2012 to 2017). Magistrate Judge Hatcher is a 2007 graduate of the University of Maryland School of Law and a 2003 graduate of the University of Maryland.

Magistrate Judge Hatcher is now receiving case assignments, including referrals for pretrial purposes.