

A NEW EDITORIAL BOARD FOR *JUDICATURE*

David F. Levi, director of the Bolch Judicial Institute and publisher of *Judicature*, has appointed a new editorial board to advise on the journal's direction and content.

The board includes judges, practitioners, and Duke Law faculty. They will serve one-year terms as advisers to the journal's publisher and staff beginning with the summer 2019 edition.

"It is gratifying that these distinguished judges, practitioners, and scholars are so willing to serve on the editorial board of *Judicature*," said Levi. "It's testament to the journal's unique role as a means to judicial education, a forum for examining issues that affect and matter to the judiciary, and a place for judges at all levels of our state and federal courts to share ideas and perspectives. We believe *Judicature* is contributing to a strong judicial culture in this country, which is the linchpin of judicial independence and central to the rule of law. I am grateful to this board for supporting and sustaining *Judicature* and its important mission.

"It is particularly gratifying that three members of the board are judges who successfully completed the

LLM in Judicial Studies at Duke Law," Levi added.

Judges Don Willett, J. Michelle Childs, and Patricia Timmons-Goodson are graduates of Duke's Master of Judicial Studies program and

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have published articles in *Judicature*. Judge Willett was editor in chief of the spring 2017 edition; Judge Childs served on the editorial board of the autumn 2016 edition.

"I am thrilled to be working with a world-class editorial board and profes-

sional staff to help continue *Judicature*'s preeminent role in sharing best practices, important developments, and ideas of relevance to our third branch of government and to the rule of law," said David W. Ichel, a retired Simpson Thacher partner and chair of the new editorial board. "I am also very interested in expanding *Judicature*'s free distribution to more state and federal judges in the hope that useful innovations, experiences, and lessons emanating from and impacting all corners of our judiciary can be better shared throughout our courts."

Duke Law School took over as publisher of *Judicature* in 2015, when its previous publisher and founder, the American Judicature Society, dissolved. Now in its 103rd volume, *Judicature* is published three times a year and mailed to all Article III federal judges, state supreme court justices, and a subscriber base of state court judges, libraries, law firms, academics, and more. This year, the journal distribution will expand to include state appellate judges and others.

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is managing editor of *Judicature*.

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