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Jeremiah J. Moriarty Sworn in as State Court of Claims Judge in O'Brian Hall

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Jeremiah J. Moriarty was the first to utilize the Francis Letro Courtroom in the Law School for his swearing-in ceremony as a judge on Saturday, Sept. 10. Nominated to serve on the state’s Court of Claims by Gov. George E. Pataki, Moriarty will hear civil cases in Buffalo.

The oath of office was administered by the Honorable Richard E. Sise, Presiding Judge of the New York State Court of Claims. Congressman Thomas M. Reynolds and Honorable Eugene F. Pigott Jr., Presiding Justice, Fourth Dept., offered remarks. Francis M. Letro, for whom the courtroom is named, served as master of ceremonies.

A Southern Tier attorney, Moriarty represented many municipalities and was chairman of the Cattaraugus County Republican Party. His father, the late Jeremiah J. Moriarty Jr., also was a Court of Claims judge.

Moriarty graduated from Georgetown University in 1965 and received his law degree from the University at Buffalo School of Law in 1968. He has been in private practice for the past 36 years and has served as administrator for the Assigned Counsel Program of Cattaraugus County for more than 20 years.