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Assistant U.S. Attorney Robert Jerome White Sworn In As United States District Judge

On Tuesday, April 16, 2024, Robert J. White was sworn in as the newest United States District Court Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan.

Judge White, who was most recently an Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA) for the Eastern District of Michigan, was sworn in at a ceremony at the Theodore Levin Courthouse in Detroit by Chief U.S. District Court Judge Sean F. Cox.

Judge White was confirmed by the U.S. Senate with bipartisan support on April 9, 2024. President Biden signed his commission on April 15, 2024.

Judge White is a graduate of the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor and the Chicago-Kent College of Law. After law school, he served as an associate in a boutique firm, Ralph E. Meczyk and Associates, where his practice was focused on federal and state criminal defense. Joining the Department of Justice in 2014, White spent time in the Western District of Texas, where he prosecuted transnational organized crime with strike forces dedicated to combating drug trafficking cartels. In the Eastern District of Michigan, White continued this work serving in both the Drug Task Force and White-Collar Crime Units, serving as the office's first Digital Asset Coordinator. White served as the lead task force attorney for the Detroit Dark Web Taskforce, overseeing internet criminal prosecutions involving fraud, identity theft, drug trafficking, money laundering, and other financial crimes.

Judge White credits his family for their support. His wife, Jessica, is a retired U.S. Army Captain, and optometrist. Together they have two children.

Judge White fills the vacancy that arose when U.S. District Judge Paul D. Borman assumed senior status in August 2023. Judge White will be based at the Theodore Levin U.S. Courthouse in Detroit, one of five federal courthouses in the Eastern District of Michigan.
