

Two District Court Judges Appointed

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Governor Roy Cooper appointed Joseph Edgar Brown III and Christopher J. Welch to serve as District Court Judges in Districts 7 and 4, respectively.

“Ed has an impressive legal background and is a leader in his community,” said Gov. Cooper. “I look forward to seeing him serve his district in this new role.”

Joseph Edgar Brown III, of Wilson, North Carolina, will fill the seat in District 7 left vacant by the passing of the Honorable John Jay Covolo. District 7 serves Nash, Edgecombe and Wilson counties. Brown is currently a partner at Sallenger & Brown, LLP and has over 28 years of private practice. He received his Bachelor of Arts in Economics from The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and his Juris Doctor from North Carolina Central University School of Law.

“Christopher’s extensive legal experience makes him a great asset to our court system, and I’m grateful for his continued service to North Carolina,” said Gov. Cooper.

Christopher J. Welch, of Jacksonville, North Carolina, will fill the vacancy created by the retirement of the Honorable William “Mac” Cameron in Judicial District 4 which consists of Duplin, Jones, Onslow and Sampson counties. Welch is currently a partner at Welch and Avery and a Board Certified Specialist in State Criminal Law. He previously served as Assistant District Attorney in Onslow and Duplin counties. He received his Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from Trinity College and his Juris Doctor from Wake Forest University School of Law.