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Governor Baker Nominates Douglas J. Darnbrough to the District Court

BOSTON – Governor Charlie Baker has nominated Douglas J. Darnbrough, an attorney with extensive civil and criminal law experience, to serve as a judge in the District Court.

“The attorneys and litigants in the district court will be well served by Attorney Darnbrough, who knows the law, rules of evidence, and is extremely hard working and fair,” said Governor Charlie Baker. “His work over the last twenty years on both civil and criminal cases, and most recently as an Assistant Clerk Magistrate, make him an exceptional candidate for consideration.”

“Attorney Darnbrough is a skilled trial lawyer that embodies the temperament and work ethic our Administration looks for in judicial nominees,” said Lieutenant Governor Karyn Polito. “His most recent experience in the Taunton District Court will allow him to hit the ground running, if confirmed by the Governor’s Council.”

Applicants for judicial openings are reviewed by the Statewide Judicial Nominating Commission and recommended to the Governor. All judicial nominations are subject to the advice and consent of the Governor’s Council.

There are 62 District Courts throughout the Commonwealth hearing a range of criminal, civil, housing, juvenile, mental health and other case types.
For more information about the District Court, visit:

About Douglas J. Darnbrough
Douglas Darnbrough became an Assistant Clerk Magistrate in the Taunton District Court in 2013, where he assists judges during the court sessions, reviews applications for search and arrest warrants, conducts bail hearings, handles small claims matters, conducts criminal show cause hearings and civil motor vehicle appeal hearings. He has been the First Assistant Magistrate since January. Attorney Darnbrough operated his own general practice law firm in Fall River, MA, where he concentrated in criminal and civil litigation, from 1995 to 2013. A resident of Rehoboth, MA, Darnbrough was born in Providence, RI, graduated from Bryant College in 1988 with a BS in Business Administration, and from Southern New England School of Law in 1994.

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