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Newly Reimagined Unified Court System Website Designed for Enhanced User Experience

NEW YORK—Chief Administrative Judge Joseph A. Zayas and First Deputy Chief Administrative Judge Norman St. George today announced the official rollout of the New York State Unified Court System’s newly reimagined website, marking a major milestone in the courts’ ongoing commitment to modernization, access to justice, and public service.

Comprising thousands of pages of content, the new UCS website (www.nycourts.gov) has been meticulously restructured to meet the diverse needs of its many users — from judges and court professionals to attorneys, litigants, jurors, educators, students, journalists, and the public. The redesign reflects months of careful planning, analysis, and collaboration, resulting in a streamlined, intuitive, visually appealing, and coherent design that aligns with today’s rapidly evolving digital landscape.

Key Features of the Redesigned Website Include:

- Enhanced Search Functionality for faster, more accurate results
- Graphic-Rich Layouts and Interactive Elements for improved engagement
- Mobile-Friendly Design ensuring accessibility across all devices
- Clear Navigation Structure for easy access to court forms, calendars, and resources
- Enhanced ADA compliance to ensure accessibility for users regardless of need

Lauding the new design, Chief Administrative Judge Zayas said, “This newly reimagined website represents a significant step forward in our mission to make the New York State Courts more accessible, transparent, and user-friendly. It is an easy-to-navigate resource for everyone — whether you are an attorney checking case schedules or accessing court rules, a litigant seeking information, a juror fulfilling your civic duty, or a student learning about the workings of our justice system.”

First Deputy Chief Administrative Judge St. George said, “We are proud to unveil a platform that not only meets the needs of today but anticipates the demands of tomorrow. This achievement reflects the dedication and expertise of countless individuals who worked tirelessly to bring this vision to life.”

Additionally, Judges Zayas and St. George extended their gratitude to the court system’s Communications Department, led by Al Baker, and its web team, headed by Phillip Yow, for their day-to-day planning and oversight of this enormous undertaking, also thanking the courts’ Division of Technology, Office for Justice Initiatives and Office for Legal Information, the Chief Judge’s Court Modernization Action Committee, and the National Center for State Courts, among other entities and partners, for their invaluable input and collaboration throughout the design and implementation process.

The revamped website’s innovative, service-oriented design underscores the New York State Courts’ steadfast efforts to ensure that critical court information is easily accessible, comprehensible, and engaging for all users. The UCS web team will be closely monitoring the website in maintaining the highest performance standards and security, adding more functions and features on a continuing basis, and encouraging user feedback via the blue “Feedback” tab on the far right-hand side of each page.

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