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Judge Beatrice Brickhouse Appointed as Presiding Judge of the Civil Division

Judge Beatrice Brickhouse of the Second Judicial District Court has been appointed as the new presiding judge of the civil division. She brings extensive experience to this leadership role, having served on the bench for over 15 years. Judge Brickhouse previously served as presiding judge of the civil division under former Chief Judge, Stan Whitaker.

"I am honored to be the presiding judge of the civil division," **said Judge Brickhouse**. "I am truly grateful for the opportunity to work with a team of outstanding judges and an exceptional staff who are dedicated, hardworking, and compassionate."

Judge Brickhouse went to the University of Arizona, James E. Rogers College of Law. She has been actively involved in numerous professional legal organizations. She has been a member of the State Bar of New Mexico, the Albuquerque Bar Association, and the New Mexico Black Lawyers Association. She also served on the New Mexico Board of Bar Commissioners, the New Mexico Board of Bar Examiners, as the New Mexico chair of the National Association of Women Judges and was the past president of the Lincoln County Bar Association. Judge Brickhouse also serves as the treatment court judge for the court's Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT) program.

"Judge Brickhouse's extensive experience and dedication to the law make her an excellent choice for this important role," **said Chief Judge Marie Ward**. "Her leadership will continue to bring success and efficiency to our court system."

***About the Second Judicial District Court:** The court is located in Bernalillo County in the State of New Mexico. There are 30 judges who hear cases in four divisions; civil, criminal, family and children's court. The Second Judicial District Court is a court of general jurisdiction which holds jury trials and handle cases in tort, contract, real property rights, estate, domestic relations, mental health, appeals from administrative agencies and lower courts, miscellaneous civil matters, criminal prosecutions, adoptions, child welfare, and juvenile delinquency.*