

**CITY COUNCIL**

**The City of Orange Township, New Jersey**

**DATE** November 8, 2023

**NUMBER** 453-2023

**TITLE:** **A RESOLUTION APPOINTING THERESA E. POLLARD, ESQ. AS JUDGE OF THE ORANGE MUNICIPAL COURT**

**WHEREAS**, Theresa E. Pollard, Esq. is an Attorney at Law who has practiced extensively in the State of New Jersey for the past 20 years; and

**WHEREAS**, Theresa E. Pollard, Esq. served as Assistant Municipal Prosecutor for the City of East Orange; and

**WHEREAS**, Theresa E. Pollard, Esq. served as Public Defender for the City of Newark; and

**WHEREAS**, Theresa E. Pollard, Esq. serves as a Chief Municipal Prosecutor for the City of Orange Township; and

**WHEREAS**, Theresa E. Pollard, Esq. has extensive trial experience and is a highly skilled and respected member of the New Jersey Bar Association; and

**WHEREAS**, Mayor Dwayne D. Warren, Esq. had determined that her skills and competence would be an asset to the City of Orange Township Court Bench.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that Theresa Pollard, Esq. is hereby appointed as Judge of the Orange Municipal Court for a three term.

**Adopted:**

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**Joyce L. Lanier**  
City Clerk

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**Tency A. Eason**  
Council President

  
A.M. EASON

# **THERESA E. POLLARD ESQ.**

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## **CAREER SUMMARY:**

An objective and thorough attorney with over 20 years of experience in municipal court proceedings and cases involving DWI, local ordinances, and traffic. Success in understanding and upholding State and local laws, and prosecuting violators.

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:**

**Chief Municipal Prosecutor, Orange, New Jersey** 2012-present  
Represent the City in all criminal, quasi-criminal, city ordinance, traffic and DWI matters. Screen case docket to determine charges and make recommendations to the Court. Prepare and consult witnesses for trial and review evidence. Interview clients and witnesses for trial preparation and background insight. Leverage knowledge of precedents and applicable laws to determine potential case outcome. Responsible for interpreting laws, rules and due process regulations. Make recommendations to the Court to adjudicate violations and file appellate briefs when applicable.

**Assistant Municipal Prosecutor, East Orange, New Jersey** 2014-2015  
Represented the City in traffic, criminal, quasi-criminal, city ordinance and DWI matters. Managed a high, diverse case volume within time constraints. Reviewed tickets, violation(s), supporting evidence and prepared and consulted witnesses for trial. Make recommendations to adjudicate violations to the Court.

**Private Practice, East Orange, New Jersey** 2007-2012  
Managed a case load and confer with clients and other relevant parties to obtain information and track case activity. Developed polished legal documents such as motions and briefs to support litigation processes and court procedures. Drafted contracts, wills and filed legal documents for clients. Make court appearances, and conducted legal research to prepare for trial, negotiate settlements and file appeals.

**Public Defender's Office, Newark, New Jersey** 2000-2007  
Full-time criminal defense attorney employed by the City of Newark to represent indigent clients in criminal, quasi-criminal, traffic, city ordinance and DWI matters. Experienced with all administrative facets associated with such practice including appellate work. Interview clients and witnesses for trial preparation and background insight. Prepare and consult witnesses for trial, review evidence and manage large, diverse caseload within time constraints.

## **EDUCATION:**

**Quinnipiac School of Law, Bridgeport, Connecticut**  
Juris Doctor May 1993  
Admission to New Jersey Bar May 1994

**Rutgers University, Livingston College, New Brunswick, New Jersey**

Bachelor of Arts, Political Science

**Boards and Committees:**

East Orange Cannabis Control Board, 2022 to present

East Orange Senior Citizens Housing Association, 2021 to present

East Orange YMCA Board, 2017 to 2022