

**DESIGNATION OF A SENIOR UNITED STATES JUDGE  
FOR SERVICE WITHIN THE CIRCUIT**

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The Honorable Jeffrey R. Howard, Senior Circuit Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit, having indicated that he is willing and able to perform the duties of circuit judge in the United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit during the period beginning on January 1, 2026, and ending on December 31, 2026;

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in me by Title 28, United States Code, Section 294(b), (c), and (e), I do hereby designate and assign the Honorable Jeffrey R. Howard to perform the duties of circuit judge in the United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit during the period aforesaid and for such additional time in advance thereof to prepare or thereafter as may be required to complete unfinished business.



Chief Judge

Dated: November 19, 2025  
First Circuit