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PRESS RELEASE

FULTON STREET TO BE RENAMED "JUDGE SELYA WAY"

BOSTON (May 1, 2023) — The City of Providence, Rhode Island, will rename Fulton Street, between Memorial Street and Exchange Street and adjacent to the U.S. Courthouse, "Judge Selya Way," in honor of Providence native and First Circuit Court of Appeals Judge Bruce M. Selya. The renaming was at the request of Providence Councilman John Goncalves and approved by Providence Mayor Brett P. Smiley. The ceremonial designation of Judge Selya Way was initiated by Judge Selya's former law clerks in order to honor and celebrate Judge Selya and his innumerable contributions to the First Circuit Court of Appeals and the U.S. District Court for the District of Rhode Island, as well as to the City of Providence and the State of Rhode Island. Judge Selya was instrumental in the revitalization of the area around the U.S. Courthouse in Providence with his efforts to secure funding for a major renovation to the Courthouse that was completed in 2001. A street sign unveiling will occur on Thursday, May 11, 2023, at 12 noon, outside of the U.S. Courthouse.

Judge Selya is the longest serving Rhode Islander on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit. Judge Selya, a lifelong resident of Providence, attended Providence public schools, prior to attending Harvard College, where he earned a B.A. *magna cum laude* in 1955, and

Harvard Law School, where he received a J.D. *cum laude* in 1958. He was admitted to the Rhode Island Bar in 1960. Immediately following law school, Judge Selya clerked for Chief Judge Edward W. Day of the United States District Court for the District of Rhode Island for two years, before entering private practice. He was a judge on the Lincoln Probate Court in Rhode Island from 1965 to 1972. In 1982, Judge Selya was appointed a U.S. District Court Judge for the District of Rhode Island, and, in 1986, he was elevated to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit. Judge Selya took senior status in 2008 and has continued to hear cases on the First Circuit Court Appeals as a senior judge.

Judge Selya has been dedicated to the Rhode Island community in numerous capacities. For example, he was a member of the board of trustees of Rhode Island Hospital and was the founding chairman of the board of directors of Lifespan, Rhode Island's first health system. Judge Selya is currently a governor and trustee emeritus of Rhode Island Hospital and a member of the Rhode Island Commodores, the Rhode Island Historical Society, and the Rhode Island School of Design Museum. He is also a former chairman of the board of trustees of Bryant University and former chairman of the board of directors of Roger Williams University School of Law. In addition to his judicial duties, Judge Selya has been actively involved in the teaching of law, and holds faculty appointments at Boston College Law School, Boston University School of Law, and Roger Williams University School of Law.