



UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS  
OFFICE OF THE CLERK  
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BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02210

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**Robert M. Farrell**

CLERK OF COURT

**PRESS RELEASE**

**August 13, 2013**

On August 12, 2013, the Judges of the District Court appointed Robert M. Farrell to serve as the 19<sup>th</sup> Clerk of Court for the District of Massachusetts. Mr. Farrell served as the Chief Deputy Clerk since joining the district in February 2010. Previously, Mr. Farrell served in United States District Court and Probation Department for the Northern District of New York in Albany, the United States Bankruptcy Court and Probation Department for the District of Maine, and the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Ohio. Mr. Farrell earned a BS and a Bachelor of Public Administration from Franklin University in Columbus, OH in 1992 and a Master of Business Administration at the University of Albany in 2007.

The Clerk of Court serves as the court unit executive of the Clerk's Office, overseeing court staff and facilities in Boston, Springfield and Worcester. The Clerk's Office staff of seventy-six supports eleven District Judges, three Senior District Judges, seven full-time Magistrate Judges, and one part-time Magistrate Judge. There are currently two District Judge vacancies on the Court in Boston and Springfield.

Chief Judge Saris said, "Rob Farrell has served as the acting clerk since the end of March. During a very challenging time when the court faced budgetary cuts and two high profile cases, he stepped up to the plate with strong leadership skills, hard work, and common sense. Even in the most stressful of times, he remembers to say thank you. The court is pleased to have him in the important role of Clerk."