

Governor Phil Murphy

Governor Murphy Announces Appointment of Maria Del Valle Koch as Director and Chief Judge of the Division of Workers' Compensation

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TRENTON - Governor Phil Murphy today announced the appointment of Maria Del Valle Koch, Esq. as Director and Chief Judge of the Division of Workers' Compensation within the New Jersey Department of Labor & Workforce Development.

"Director and Chief Judge Del Valle Koch's vast history in the legal profession, particularly in Workers' Compensation, made her an ideal fit for this role," said Governor Murphy.

The Division of Workers' Compensation is comprised of two distinct program areas. The Workers' Compensation Program provides a fair and impartial forum to mediate and if necessary, adjudicate disputes.

The Division is also actively involved in identifying non-compliant employers of Workers' Compensation laws as well as levying and collecting penalties and restitution once such employers are identified.

"I am humbled and honored to be appointed Director and Chief Judge of the New Jersey Division of Workers' Compensation," said Division of Workers' Compensation Director and Chief Judge Maria Del Valle Koch.

"I know Judge Koch and her record of accomplishments. She is one of the finest, most passionate and hardest-working Workers' Compensation judges in the history of our courts," said Senate President Scutari.

In her previous role, Director Del Valle Koch was the Administrative Supervising Judge of Compensation for the New Jersey Department of Labor & Workforce Development's Division of Workers' Compensation Court.

Del Valle Koch holds a Bachelor of Arts in History from St. Peter's College and a Juris Doctor from Seton Hall University Law School.

For a photo of Director Del Valle Koch, please click here (https://urldefense.com/v3/_https://t.e2ma.net/click/vlqpeh/nrddit/bag6gx_!!J30X0ZrnC1oQtbAJtWak30ux64PKjvMLXzTFkIc1CPikYiVq_COR9kjDEgoJTA4bMGjdwYQFC91dhxBknPpbxSL1Ju8TZyMSRXvxUckjPS\$).

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