

Contact:**Hon. Raúl M. Arias-Marxuach**

Chief District Judge
United States District Court
District of Puerto Rico
Phone 787 772 3000
Fax 787 772 3210

Federal Bldg. Rm. 150
150 Carlos Chardón Street
San Juan, PR 00918-1767
Phone 787 772 3000
www.prd.uscourts.gov



Press Release

Judge Camille L. Vélez-Rivé Sworn in as United States District Judge for the District of Puerto Rico

December 9, 2022 (San Juan, PR): The United States District Court for the District of Puerto Rico (“District of Puerto Rico”) announces that on November 30, 2022, the United States Senate confirmed the Honorable Camille L. Vélez-Rivé as a United States District Judge for the District of Puerto Rico. President Joseph R. Biden, Jr. signed her commission on December 9, 2022. She was sworn in by the Honorable Raúl M. Arias-Marxuach, Chief United States District Judge, on December 9, 2022.

Judge Vélez-Rivé was born in San Juan, Puerto Rico. In 1989, she obtained a B.A. with honors from Washington University in Saint Louis. In 1993, she received her Juris Doctor *magna cum laude* from the University of Puerto Rico Law School. Prior to becoming a District Judge, she served as a United States Magistrate Judge for the District of Puerto Rico since 2004. Judge Vélez-Rivé is the longest-serving female United States Magistrate Judge in the District of Puerto Rico’s history. Before joining the bench, she served as an Assistant United States Attorney in the United States Attorney’s Office for the District of Puerto Rico from 1998 to 2004. She served as a law clerk for Justice Francisco Rebollo-López on the Supreme Court for the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico from 1993 to 1994.

In congratulating Judge Vélez-Rivé, Chief Judge Arias-Marxuach said: “Judge Vélez-Rivé brings a wealth of experience having served as United States Magistrate Judge for almost two decades. On behalf of her new colleagues, I welcome her to the Article III bench and look forward to working with her in this new stage of her judicial service.”

A formal investiture ceremony will be scheduled at a later date.

For additional information, please visit the District of Puerto Rico’s Internet website at <http://www.prd.uscourts.gov>, Twitter Account ([@USCourtsDPR](https://twitter.com/USCourtsDPR)) or call 787-772-3000.