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60th Judicial Circuit



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St. Joseph Circuit Court Judge John Broden today announced the appointment of Cristal C. Brisco as Magistrate for the St. Joseph Circuit Court. Brisco will begin her new duties on July 16, 2018. Brisco will assume the position of Magistrate that was left vacant by the unexpected passing of the Honorable Larry L. Ambler.

“I am grateful to all of the qualified candidates who applied to fill this position with our Court and I am extremely pleased that Ms. Brisco has agreed to serve as a Magistrate in the Circuit Court,” Broden said. “Cristal has developed an excellent reputation in the local legal community. In addition to her extensive experience in the areas of complex civil litigation and commercial transactions, Ms. Brisco has demonstrated great leadership skills in her years as an attorney with Barnes & Thornburg, Corporation Counsel for the City of South Bend under Mayor Pete Buttigieg, and most recently as General Counsel for Saint Mary’s College, Notre Dame. Her body of work over the past twelve years along with her technical expertise and proven abilities indicate Cristal will be an outstanding addition to our local judiciary.”

Brisco is general counsel for Saint Mary’s College, Notre Dame. She spent seven years working at the law firm of Barnes & Thornburg, LLP before becoming Corporation Counsel for the City of South Bend under Mayor Pete Buttigieg.

Currently, Brisco serves on the Notre Dame Law School Association Board, and the Boys & Girls Clubs of St. Joseph County Board. She is a graduate of the Indiana State Bar Association’s Leadership Development Academy, and has been a member of the Robert A. Grant Inn of Court since 2008. Brisco’s legal contributions also include five years of service (2011-2016) on the Indiana Conference for Legal Education Opportunity Advisory Committee, having been appointed by Indiana Supreme Court Chief Justice Randall T. Shepard (Ret.) and reappointed by Indiana Supreme Court Chief Justice Loretta H. Rush.

“It is an honor and privilege to join the Circuit Court. I am committed to upholding the highest standards of the profession and serving the community by providing equal justice under the law,” Brisco said.

A native of Gary, Indiana, Brisco lives with her husband and children in Granger. She is a graduate of Valparaiso University and University of Notre Dame Law School. She has been admitted to practice law before the Courts of Indiana, the United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit, and the United States District Courts for the Northern and Southern Districts of Indiana.

