



# Lathrop GPM Partner Dean Eyler Appointed to Hennepin County Bench

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**MINNEAPOLIS (December 14, 2023)** — Lathrop GPM LLP is proud to announce that Partner Dean Eyler has been appointed as a Hennepin County Judge by Minnesota Gov. Tim Walz and Lt. Gov. Peggy Flanagan. Eyler joins more than 60 judges who serve the Fourth Judicial District of the State of Minnesota which encompasses Hennepin County.

According to the Star Tribune, Gov. Walz said that Eyler has "an extensive background in complex civil litigation that will lend itself well to the Hennepin County bench."

Firm Managing Partner Cameron Garrison said, "Our loss is the legal profession's gain, as Dean is exactly the type of lawyer who will make a phenomenal judge. Dean has always prided himself on being a trusted advisor as a lawyer and making sure clients know what to expect. We know he will do the same as a judge, managing the courtroom well and rendering fair and meaningful decisions. It has been a pleasure to work with Dean in the Intellectual Property group, and we wish him well in his new role as a judge."

Eyler currently represents clients in intellectual property and complex commercial disputes. In addition, he counsels clients in a variety of commercial litigation matters and handles disputes in federal and state courts as well as arbitration. He also serves as the firm's Pro Bono Partner helping to lead all aspects of the firm's pro bono work. Early in his career, Eyler served as a law clerk for Donald P. Lay, former Chief Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit. In addition, he has been an adjunct professor at the William Mitchell College of Law and a Special Assistant City Attorney for the City of Minneapolis.

Hennepin County includes a total of 45 cities, Minneapolis being the largest. According to the U.S. Census Bureau's latest estimates, the county is home to more than 1.3 million residents. The Hennepin County court system operates as the largest trial court in the state of Minnesota.