

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA**

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PRESS RELEASE

JUDGE CECILIA M. ALTONAGA SUCCEEDS JUDGE K. MICHAEL MOORE
AS CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

Effective July 1, 2021, Cecilia M. Altonaga succeeds K. Michael Moore as Chief United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida. Judge Moore, appointed to the District Court in February 1992, became Chief Judge on July 1, 2014 and was eligible to serve for seven years as Chief Judge. He concluded his seven-year term as Chief Judge on June 30, 2021. Judge Altonaga, appointed to the District Court in May 2003, is the next judge in order of seniority eligible to assume the duties of Chief Judge. The duties of the District's Chief Judge are listed at 3.00.00 of the Southern District of Florida's *Internal Operating Procedures* available under "Rules" on the Court's internet site: www.flsd.uscourts.gov.

The Southern District of Florida spans nine South Florida counties with a total population estimated at over 7 million residents. The District is among the busiest federal trial court jurisdictions in the country and is served by 18 active district judges, 9 senior district judges, 16 magistrate judges, and about 300 employees. The Court conducts sessions in Key West, Miami, Fort Lauderdale, West Palm Beach, and Fort Pierce.

Chief Judge Altonaga's chambers are located in the Wilkie D. Ferguson, Jr. United States Courthouse, 400 N. Miami Avenue, Miami, Florida.

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