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**New York County Lawyers Association Issues Statement on  
Justice Anthony Cannataro's Appointment as Acting Chief Judge**

The New York County Lawyers Association (NYCLA), which represents 7500 attorneys, today issued the following statement:

NYCLA congratulates Judge Cannataro on his selection as Chief Judge of the New York Court of Appeals. He takes office on September 1. While the position is acting, and therefore temporary, as Chief Judge he has an important jurisprudential position in an important state court of final resort, and an important administrative position as CEO of the entire New York court system. We also want to congratulate Chief Judge DeFiore for her leadership and service, which among many things carried the New York judicial system through the Covid pandemic in an able fashion. Both are deserving of our thanks. We are proud that Judge Cannataro has been a loyal NYCLA member.

**About the New York County Lawyers Association**

The New York County Lawyers Association ([www.nycla.org](http://www.nycla.org)) was founded in 1908 as one of the first major bar associations in the country that admitted members without regard to race, ethnicity, religion or gender, and has a long history of supporting the rights of LGBTQ+ people. Since its inception, NYCLA has pioneered some of the most far-reaching and tangible reforms in American jurisprudence. For more information on NYCLA please visit [nycla.org](http://nycla.org).

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