

# Milwaukee County Circuit Court: Appoints George L. Christenson to serve as circuit

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**Milwaukee, Wis.** (February 24, 2022) – Chief Judge Mary E. Triggiano announced today that the majority of Milwaukee County Circuit Court judges have appointed George L. Christenson to serve as the next clerk of circuit court. The clerk plans, directs and supervises the record keeping for the Milwaukee County Circuit Court, manages the court’s jury system, prepares the annual budget, supervises staff, provides administrative support for the court system, collects money on court ordered obligations, and performs other statutory duties. Christenson, who currently serves as Milwaukee County Clerk, will serve in this role until a new clerk of circuit court is elected in the fall.

“The court is pleased to appoint Mr. Christenson as the Clerk of Circuit Court,” Triggiano said. “As the Milwaukee County Clerk, he has demonstrated leadership and management skills. He has earned a reputation within the courthouse and with the public for his professionalism and service. We are confident that he will serve the court and the public well.”

Christenson holds a master’s degree in public administration from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and a bachelor’s degree in economics and political science from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

“I am truly humbled by the numerous individuals that sought me out and encouraged me to serve our community and county government in this capacity, and I am thankful for the vote of confidence by the judiciary”, said Christenson.

“The Clerk of Circuit Court Office needs strong leadership during this transition. My top priority will be to help the judges reduce the backlog of cases created by the COVID-19 pandemic.”

The selection of the new Clerk of Circuit Court follows a process in which the court accepted applications and conducted interviews. Christenson will serve the remainder of the term of John Barrett, who served as clerk of circuit court from 1998 until his retirement in January. Christenson’s appointment is effective immediately.