

Perrone Investiture

The public investiture of Hillsborough County Judge Frances Maria Perrone is scheduled for Jan. 24 at 4 p.m. in Courtroom 1 on the 6th floor of the George Edgecomb Courthouse in downtown Tampa.

Judge Perrone, a third generation Tampa native, won the Group 4 county seat vacated by retiring Judge Christine Vogel during a contested election in August. She received nearly 56 percent of the vote.

A 1999 graduate of The Florida State University College of Law, Judge Perrone also holds a bachelor's degree from FSU and a degree from the University of South Florida. She currently presides over county civil matters and traffic infractions.

Prior to her judicial victory, Judge Perrone worked as a criminal defense lawyer for the Tison Law Group, representing defendants on charges ranging from traffic infractions to murder. She served as lead trial attorney in more than 85 jury trials and hundreds of bench trials.

Judge Perrone has also been active in legal and community groups, including the Hillsborough County Bar Association, Hillsborough Association for Women Lawyers, Herbert Goldberg Inn of Court, DUI Counterattack Board, Pepin Heart Hospital Community Advisory Board and Pan American University Women. She is a member and lector at St. Joseph Catholic Church.

Judge Perrone is married to Jonathan Gorab, and they have one child.