

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

The Judges of the Circuit Court of Montgomery County, Maryland, sitting as the Orphans' Court, and pursuant to the Maryland Constitution article IV § 41, unanimously selected Paul J. Dollahite, Esq., to be the Register of Wills for Montgomery County effective immediately. Administrative Judge James A. Bonifant advises that: "The Bench conducted a diligent selection process and has great confidence in Mr. Dollahite based upon his experience and demonstrated ability." Mr. Dollahite has 30 years of experience as a Maryland attorney including 17 years with the Register of Wills, most recently as the Administrator of the Orphans' Court Division. Mr. Dollahite will replace the late Joseph M. Griffin, who passed away in August.

Mr. Dollahite said: "I would like to thank the Judges for the confidence placed in me. I am honored by the opportunity to carry forward the legacy of Joe Griffin. I am committed to serving the residents of Montgomery County with the same high standards that have long made the Register of Wills one of the most outstanding offices in the State of Maryland."

The Judges thank Acting Register of Wills, Amera Jones, and Deputy Register of Wills, Melissa Seeman, for their leadership during this challenging period. The Bench commends the entire office of the Register for their perseverance, diligence, and stellar service.