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HON. MICHELE PIRRO BAILEY

The Honorable Michele Pirro Bailey has been a Family Court Judge since 2008, and is also an Acting Supreme Court Justice currently serving as the presiding judge in the Integrated Domestic Violence Court . She is a Co-Chair of the Chief Administrative Judge’s Family Court Advisory and Rules Committee, and a member of the Permanent Judicial Commission on Justice for Children. She is Onondaga County’s Lead Judge for Child Welfare cases. Judge Pirro Bailey has served as a Principal Law Clerk to Justice Anthony J. Paris; a Deputy County Attorney, an Assistant District Attorney; a private practitioner and has been a Continuing Legal Education Lecturer for the New York State Judicial Institute. Judge Pirro Bailey received her B.A. from Le Moyne College and her J.D. from the Western New England College School of Law.