

## **ORANGE MAYOR HAWKINS APPOINTS JUDGE HAROLD W. FULLILOVE, JR. AS ACTING JUDGE OF ORANGE MUNICIPAL COURT**

### **Mayor Emphasizes that Court is Critical to Fighting Crime**

**ORANGE** : On Friday, September 23rd, Mayor Eldridge Hawkins, Jr. swore in experienced Municipal Court Judge Harold W. Fullilove, Jr. as Acting Judge of the Orange Municipal Court. Judge Fullilove has served since 2007 as a Municipal Court Judge in East Orange. He has also served as an Assistant Prosecutor in Middlesex County and a Deputy New Jersey Attorney General.

In addition to his judicial service, Judge Fullilove is an attorney with a private practice in Newark. He also served as a Law Clerk in the Superior Court. He holds a Jurist Doctorate from Rutgers University Law School and a B.A. from The College of William and Mary.

Judge Fullilove comes from a distinguished long-time Orange family. His father, Harold W. Fullilove, Sr. is a retired Presiding Judge of the New Jersey Superior Court.

"Our screening committee searched for a new judge who would be experienced, excellent, fair, and tough on crime and criminals," Mayor

Eldridge Hawkins, Jr. said. "Judge Harold W. Fullilove, Jr., best met those criteria. Our municipal court is a critical partner with the Orange Police Department and the citizens of Orange in working to make our city safer. Choosing the right judges are an important part of our strategy to fight crime."

When criminals are arrested and convicted, they too often are back on our streets in short order. In sentencing, I am sure that Judge Fullilove will take into account the safety of Orange residents and businesses. As a resident of Orange himself, Judge Fullilove is totally involved in making our city a better place to live and in seriously dealing with quality of life crimes such as prostitution, loitering, and graffiti. Judge Fullilove represents the judicial excellence that the people of Orange expect."

"I am honored and privileged that Mayor Hawkins has asked me to serve the city of Orange as a municipal court judge," said Judge Fullilove. "I believe I can greatly contribute to the judiciary of the city where I was raised and where I am currently raising my family. I look forward to meeting the City Council and discussing my qualifications with them."