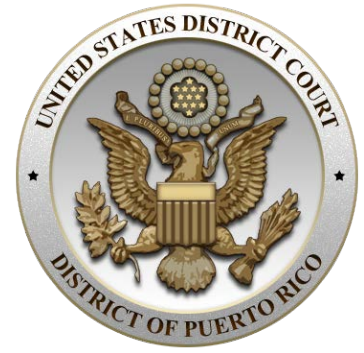


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Press Release

The Honorable Raúl Arias-Marxuach Sworn-in as Chief Judge for the United States District Court for the District of Puerto Rico

San Juan, PR: The Clerk of Court for the United States District Court for the District of Puerto Rico is pleased to announce that the Honorable Raúl Arias-Marxuach has been sworn-in as Chief Judge for the United States District Court for the District of Puerto Rico. Chief Judge Arias-Marxuach was sworn-in on October 22, 2021 by the Honorable Aida Delgado-Colón in a private ceremony. He succeeds Judge Gustavo A. Gelpí, who served as Chief Judge since 2018 and was elevated to the First Circuit Court of Appeals on October 20, 2021. Chief Judge Arias-Marxuach praised Judge Gelpí's collegiality and commitment to the Court's mission during 20 years of distinguished service to the District of Puerto Rico, especially during his tenure as Chief Judge.

Chief Judge Arias-Marxuach obtained his bachelor's degree from Boston College in 1989 and his Juris Doctor degree *Magna Cum Laude* from the University of Puerto Rico School of Law in 1992. From 1992 to 1993, he was a law clerk to the Honorable Antonio S. Negrón-García, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico. In 1994, he obtained a Master of Laws degree from Harvard Law School. Thereafter, Chief Judge Arias-Marxuach practiced law in prominent law firms in San Juan, Puerto Rico until 2019. He frequently litigated civil and commercial matters before the District of Puerto Rico for 24 years. Chief Judge Arias-Marxuach also worked as an adjunct professor for the Inter American University of Puerto Rico School of Law in 2011, 2013 and 2016. He is a Judicial Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers and a member of the American Bar Association.

On January 23, 2019, President Donald J. Trump nominated Chief Judge Arias-Marxuach for the position of United States District Judge for the District of Puerto Rico. Upon confirmation by the United States Senate, he was sworn-in by then Chief Judge Gelpí on May 16, 2019.

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