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***Paul J. Fishman, U.S. Attorney***

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NEWARK – Paul J. Fishman was sworn in today as the 54th United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey and began his duties immediately.

Fishman, 52, of Montclair, took the oath of office just after 11 a.m. before an audience including Assistant U.S. Attorneys and staff, as well as Fishman’s wife, two sons and his mother.

The oath of office was administered by U.S. District Judge and nominee to the Third Circuit Court of Appeals Joseph A. Greenaway, Jr. in the U.S. Attorney’s Office 7th Floor conference room. The swearing in was also viewed via video teleconference by attorneys and staff in the Trenton and Camden offices of the U.S. Attorney’s Office.

Fishman, who was nominated for U.S. Attorney by President Obama on May 15 and confirmed by the full U.S. Senate on Oct. 7, takes over the office from Acting U.S. Attorney Ralph J. Marra, Jr.

“This is a tremendous honor and privilege,” said Fishman. “For me, I am returning to an office I once served where I expect to build on its traditions of excellence, fairness and integrity in enforcing federal criminal and civil statutes.”

Fishman graduated magna cum laude in 1978 from Princeton University and cum laude in 1982 from Harvard Law School, where he served as the Managing Editor of the Harvard Law Review. After a clerkship with the Hon. Edward R. Becker of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, he became an Assistant U.S. Attorney for the District of New Jersey, where he served as Deputy Chief of the Criminal Division, Chief of Narcotics, Chief of the Criminal Division, and First Assistant U.S. Attorney. From 1994 through 1997, he served as a senior adviser to the Attorney General and Deputy Attorney General of the United States on a variety of law enforcement, policy, legislative, national security, and international matters, as well as on specific investigations and prosecutions.

Fishman takes over an office currently staffed with 142 Assistant U.S. Attorneys across criminal, civil and appeals divisions, and 122 support staff in its three offices.

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