

**THE HONORABLE SEAN C. STAPLES
MAGISTRATE JUDGES
SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

Sean C. Staples was appointed magistrate judge by Chief Judge Lee Satterfield in December 2013.

Judge Staples was raised in New York State and received his undergraduate degree from Syracuse University. He served as legislative assistant and assistant press secretary to Congressman Hamilton Fish, Jr. in New York's 19th congressional district. Judge Staples graduated *magna cum laude* from The Catholic University of America Columbus School of Law and served as a judicial clerk for Judge Robert Morin in D.C. Superior Court.

Judge Staples was a clinical professor in the D.C. Law Students in Court program (LSIC). He taught criminal trial practice and procedure at LSIC and supervised law students in the representation of adults and juveniles in the Criminal Division of D.C. Superior Court.

Judge Staples served as the GAL Project Director at Children's Law Center (CLC), a legal services organization in the District of Columbia serving children. As the GAL project director, he managed over half of CLC's 80 person staff which, together with hundreds of pro bono partners, helped more than 2,000 children and caregivers every year.

Judge Staples also previously worked as an assistant public defender in Fairfax, VA and as a sole practitioner. He tried dozens of cases in criminal and family courts. He is former co-chair of the Courts, Lawyers and Administration of Justice Steering Committee of the D.C. Bar and a member of D.C. Law Students in Court Board of Directors.