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## NOTICE

The Daily Record offices will close at 3 p.m. today. We will be closed tomorrow and no paper will be printed Friday, Dec. 25, in observance of the Christmas holiday. The office will reopen at 9 a.m. Monday, Dec. 28.

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## Quote

Christmas is a time when you get homesick - even when you're home.

— CAROL NELSON



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## Peradotto among 7 candidates on list for top court

### From Staff and Wire Reports

The Hon. Erin M. Peradotto, an associate justice in the Appellate Division's Fourth Department, is among seven candidates recommended by a state commission to fill the vacancy on the New York State Court of Appeals that followed Judge Susan P.

Read's retirement in August.

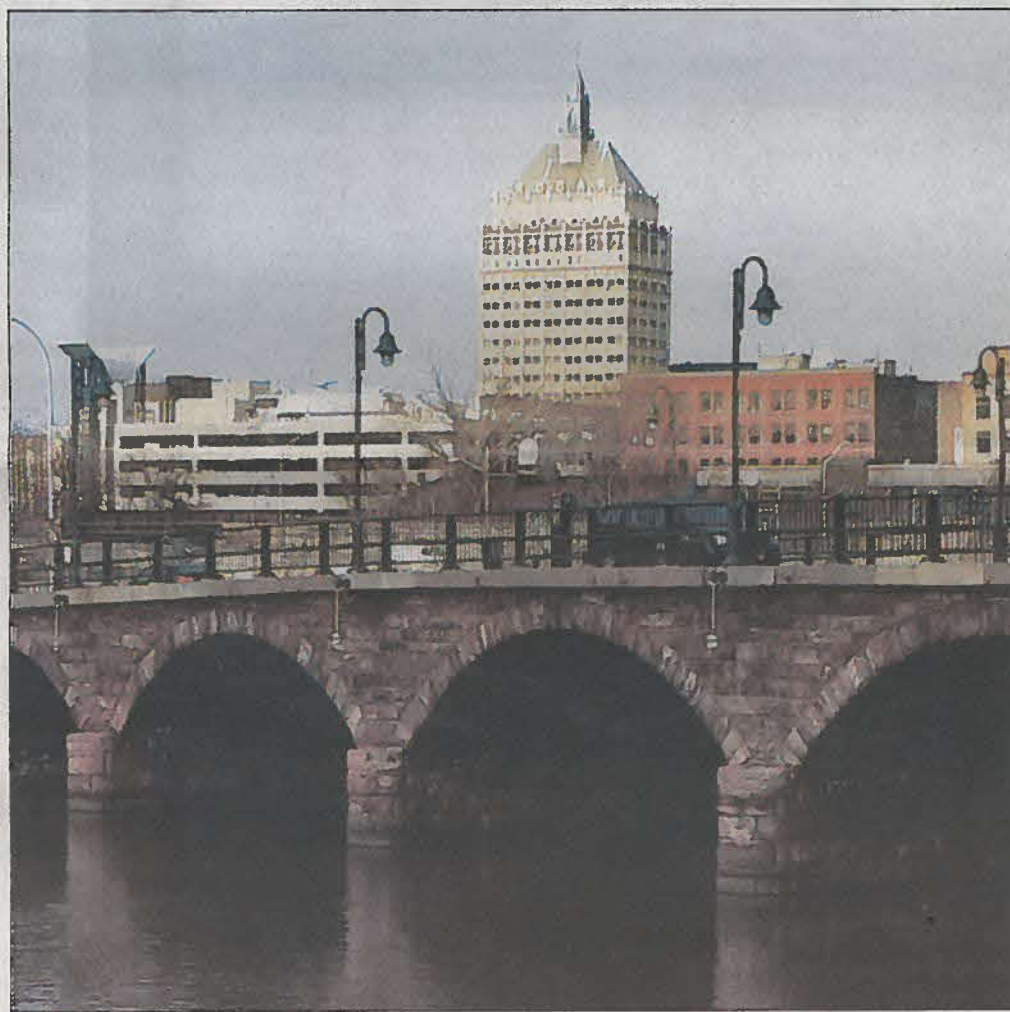
Gov. Andrew Cuomo is expected to make his nomination from the list, which is Manhattan-dominated and which includes one other associate justice, the Hon. Judith J. Gische of the Appellate Division's First Department. The other five nominees are attorneys.

All seven were considered well qualified by the Commission on Judicial Nomination, which selected them from 52 applicants.

Four of the attorneys are in private practice. They are Caitlin J. Halligan (Gibson, Dunne & Crutcher LLP), Rowan D. Wilson

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## Christmas in .... April?



The trees are bare and the Rochester skyline seen from Brandon Place by the river looks seasonal, but the weather isn't cooperating. Sixty-three degrees on Christmas Eve, anyone?

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## Cuomo orders juveniles removed from state prisons

By MICHAEL VIRTANEN  
Associated Press

ALBANY — Hard on the heels of an order issuing conditional pardons for former juvenile offenders, Gov. Andrew Cuomo has ordered many of the 100 juvenile inmates currently in state prisons moved to a new facility next year away from older prisoners.

The governor corrections officials, in collaboration with the state agency responsible for juvenile detention, to transfer all 16- and 17-year-old female inmates and males with medium- and minimum-security classifications.

"We can offer them a better chance at turning their lives around and becoming productive members of society," Cuomo said Tuesday. "This action will help reduce the recidivism rate, increase public safety and save taxpayer dollars over the long run."

Hudson Correctional Facility south of Albany, now a medium-security prison, is expected to get an overhaul and take the first transferred youths by August. By November, it's expected to have a unit added for disciplinary confinements for sanction of 30 days or less.

Local jails with young inmates sentenced to more than 90 days can request sending them to Hudson.

The Office of Children and Family services was ordered to help corrections officials with specialized training, reviewing policies and procedures and consulting on difficult cases.

Cuomo's executive order says research shows youths criminally processed as adults have a 26 percent higher rate of being locked up again compared with those processed as juveniles. They also have higher suicide rates, it said.

Young males with maximum-security classifications will remain in a separate juvenile unit at the Cossackie Correctional Facility.

Hudson's current work release and

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## Helping Others: Emphasis on Vets

The holidays are an especially appropriate time to recognize outstanding work on behalf of those in need. We asked Rochester-area law firms and related businesses that have contributed money, time or support to worthy causes this year to write about them. Over the next few days, we'll run all the entries we've received. These have been lightly edited, mainly for time references; otherwise they are as submitted. Today: Nixon Peabody.

Nixon Peabody is proud to count 31 attorneys and staff who are retired military or military reservists throughout the firm. This past year, the firm continued its strong support of veterans, dedicating financial support, time and resources to several efforts, with more than 70 NP attorneys and professional staff providing more than 1,000

hours of pro bono legal services to assist 26 individual veterans and veterans' organizations, and to educate and assist groups of veterans about pursuing benefits. Many of

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# Nixon Peabody helps Vets

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these efforts were led by our attorneys in the Rochester office, for example:

- **1 Team, 1 Fight:** Three years ago, NP attorney Kevin Saunders, a U.S. Marine Corps reserve officer, spearheaded the creation of a local organization, referred to as 1 Team, 1 Fight ("1T1F"), a partnership of colleges, universities, businesses and veteran service organizations in the Greater Rochester Region dedicated to the goal of ensuring veterans have access to the resources available both nationally and locally to enter civilian life and succeed. Kevin and other NP lawyers supported the design of an innovative website bringing together information about educational, medical, financial and legal resources for veterans.

- **Valor Day:** In 2015, Kevin assisted in organizing Valor Day Rochester, a free annual event for U.S. veterans, either active duty or reserve, and their immediate family members. The June 13 event was held at MCC and involved about fifty service providers and dozens of attorneys from the Rochester community who offered support services, including financial and pro bono legal services, pro bono, counseling, to over 200 veterans. Kevin and three other attorneys solicited the participation and

support of several other dedicated veterans and service providers, including Monroe County Bar Association and 1T1F.

- **Pound the Ground:** NP was closely involved in Pound the Ground, a 10K/5K race that raises funds for the Veterans Outreach Center of Rochester (VOC). Kevin Saunders serves on the board of the VOC and was chair of Pound the Ground. In its 7th year, the event raised more than \$30,000 to help support the men, women, and families served by the VOC. Nixon Peabody provided financial support to Pound the Ground, and supported additional fund raising through an NP race team and a "dress down" fundraiser in the Rochester office.

- **Partnering with Xerox to serve veterans:** NP, Xerox Corporation and LawNY formed a pro bono partnership to help veterans in the rural Greater Rochester area with benefits and trusts and estates issues, among other matters. The periodic clinics are held at the Canandaigua Veterans Administration medical facility where NP and Xerox attorneys help with issues related to obtaining benefits, drafting wills, powers of attorney and health care proxies. A dozen attorneys from each side (NP and Xerox) conducted trainings on how to represent veterans and participate in these clinics.



Valor Day: from left, Kevin Saunders, Nixon Peabody counsel and U.S. Marine Corps reserve officer; John White, Marine veteran, former Rotary Club president and retired senior VP for sales and product development for Priority Management Systems, Inc., and Eric Wheeler, Counseling, International & Veteran Services, Monroe Community College.



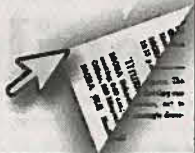
Pound the Ground, a 10K/5K race that raises funds for the Veterans Outreach Center of Rochester.



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