

**HON. THOMAS G. WRIGHT-FERNANDEZ**

Long Island City, New York

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**LEGAL AND PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

**OFFICE OF COURT ADMINISTRATION**

**CRIMINAL COURT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, QUEENS COUNTY, Kew Gardens, N.Y.**

*January 2026 – Present*

Elected Queens County, Judge of the Civil Court of the City of New York, currently assigned to Queens County Criminal Term

Elected 2025

Term: January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2035

- Preside in various Criminal Court Parts including arraignments and various all-purpose parts.
- Conduct evidentiary, suppression and preclusion hearings.
- Review and decide motions on suppression, discovery, speedy trial and other issues.

**OFFICE OF COURT ADMINISTRATION**

**QUEENS COUNTY SUPREME COURT, CRIMINAL TERM, Kew Gardens, N.Y.**

*January 2024 – January 2026*

Principal Law Clerk to Hon. Jessica Earle-Gargan

- Research and analyze legal issues and questions raised in felony criminal cases, draft opinions, decisions, orders, and memoranda.
- Schedule and conduct discovery conferences and settlement conferences for Integrated Domestic Violence matters.
- Draft jury charges and instructions.

**THE WRIGHT-FERNANDEZ LAW FIRM, Ridgewood, N.Y.**

*April 2012 – December 2023*

Managing Attorney

- As a civil litigation practitioner, handled a large, fast-moving docket of contested matters including contested divorces and custody cases.
- Counseled and represented corporate and individual clients in immigration removal defense matters and nationality matters. Litigated before the United States Immigration Service.
- Represented small and medium-sized businesses in corporate transactions including acquisitions, acquisition financings, workouts and restructurings, and general corporate governance matters.

**PROSKAUER ROSE, LLP**, New York, N.Y.

*April 2010 – April 2012*, Associate, Finance

*August 2009 – April 2010*, Community Service Associate

*Summer 2008*, Summer Associate

- Represented commercial banks, finance companies, hedge funds and private funds in all areas of debt financing, focusing on senior secured lending including distressed debt trading, international transactions, intercreditor matters, and workouts and restructurings. Substantive experience includes:
  - Negotiated ISDA Master Agreements and related transaction documents for hedge fund clients including Credit Support Annex and offshore margin documentation.
  - Represented the facility agent in a \$265 million dollar cross-border amended and restated credit facility involving the coordination of Latin American and European local counsel.

**MORGAN STANLEY**, New York, N.Y.

*March 2006 – January 2007*

Analyst, Prime Brokerage

- Reviewed a variety of transactions involving Prime Brokerage Clients, including swaps, options, repos, futures, securities, bonds, commercial paper, credit default swaps and bank loans.
- Ensured timely account funding and trade launches for international asset managers involving multinational parties.
- Reviewed client trade related documents for non-market risk assessment.
- Facilitated Prime Brokerage client documentation to fulfill Morgan Stanley's risk requirements and the Patriot Act Anti-Money Laundering guidelines.

**EDUCATION**

**FORDHAM UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW**, New York, N.Y. – J.D., *May 2009*

**FORDHAM UNIVERSITY**, New York, N.Y. – B.A. in Economics, *December 2005*

- *Honors*: Omicron Delta Epsilon, International Economics Honor Society

**COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

**Queens Community Board Member**, 2023-2025 Term

Board Committees – Zoning and Land Use, Consumer Affairs, Communications

**Queens Bar Association** – LGBTQ+ Committee

**LGBT Bar of New York**

**Dominican American Society** – Volunteer Citizenship Instructor, 2024-Present

**Alternate Judicial Delegate** – 2023-2026

**COURT ADMISSIONS:** New York State Bar (2010)

**LANGUAGE SKILLS:** Spanish / Castellano – Fluent