



CMEAA
COMMISSION ON MIDDLE EASTERN
AMERICAN AFFAIRS
M I C H I G A N

Media Contact: Kevin Ray, 517-373-9280

Email: mediainfo@michigan.gov

**Commission on Middle Eastern American Affairs (CMEAA) Commissioner Appointed to
Third Judicial Circuit Court**

May 2, 2017 – Gov. Rick Snyder today announced the appointment of CMEAA Commissioner, Mariam Bazzi, to the 3rd Circuit Court in Wayne County.

Commissioner Bazzi, of Dearborn, has been an assistant prosecuting attorney in Wayne County since 2006, and is currently the lead attorney of the Deed and Mortgage Fraud Task Force, specializing in complex mortgage and real property related fraud. She has handled complex criminal cases for Wayne County for the trial division and has been assigned to multiple district courts in Wayne County, handling felony and misdemeanor matters. She is a member of the State Bar of Michigan and Wayne County’s Government Bar Association.

“I am very humbled and honored to have received this appointment. As a daughter of immigrants, I was taught the importance of hard work, patience, ethics and public service. I will take these same principles with me to the bench” said Bazzi.

Commissioner Bazzi has served as a Trustee at Large for the Michigan Commission on Middle Eastern American Affairs since June 2015. As CMEAA commissioner, Bazzi has also served on the Governor’s Environmental Justice Task Force. CMEAA Chair, Manal Saab congratulates Bazzi, stating, “Mariam Bazzi has had a distinguished and well-rounded career serving Wayne County and her unwavering commitment to public service gives me great confidence that she will be an excellent addition to the third circuit court bench.”

Bazzi fills the vacancy created by the resignation of Judge Daphne Curtis. Bazzi must seek election in November 2018 for the remainder of the term and will need to run again in 2020 for a full term. The appointment comes after a thorough judicial candidate search, including vetting and qualifications rating by the State Bar Judicial Qualifications Committee.

###