

Tillerson, Deputy County Attorney, Picked for P.G. District Court Bench

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A deputy county attorney was appointed Friday to the Prince George's County District Court bench, Gov. William Donald Schaefer announced.

Sheila R. Tillerson was named to succeed Judge C. Philip Nichols Jr., who was elevated to the county's circuit

court bench last December. If confirmed by the state Senate during next year's session, Tillerson will serve for a 10-year term in the \$82,500-a-year post.

Tillerson, who has served as deputy county attorney and counsel to the Minority Business Opportunity Commission since 1988, was selected from a list of seven fi-

nalists chosen by the county's Judicial Nominating Commission.

Other candidates were:

- Albert W. Northrop, a judge on the county's orphans court;
 - Richard J. Bury, a Mitchellville lawyer;
 - Patrick R. Duley, a partner in the Upper Marlboro law firm of Haskell, Duley & Gale;
 - Hassan A. El-Amin, a sole practitioner in Fort Washington;
 - Julia B. Weatherly, a domestic relations master; and
 - Beverly J. Woodard, an assistant state's attorney.
- Tillerson could not be reached Friday to comment on her appointment.

A 1979 graduate of Morgan State University, Tillerson received her law degree in 1982 from Howard University Law School in Washington. She also holds a master's degree in taxation from Georgetown University Law School.

Before joining the county attorney's office, she worked as an assistant state's attorney. During her last two years with that office, she served as chief of the sexual assault/child abuse unit.

She also has worked as a staff attorney for the domestic law unit of the Legal Aid Bureau Inc., where she represented clients in divorce, custody, adoption and other cases.