

Notice Regarding United States Attorney

Friday, March 13, 2026

On August 20, 2025, Robert N. Tracci assumed the role of Acting United States Attorney for the Western District of Virginia, following the resignation of Interim United States Attorney Todd Gilbert. Mr. Tracci became Acting United States Attorney under 5 U.S.C. § 3345, which generally allows for the first assistant to assume that role for a maximum of 210 days. Mr. Tracci's term as Acting United States Attorney will expire on March 18, 2026.

Upon expiration of the term and by statute, the court may, but is not required to, appoint a United States Attorney to serve until the vacancy is filled, whether it be Mr. Tracci or another person. 28 U.S.C. § 546(d). On Wednesday, March 11, 2026, the active and senior district judges of this court met and unanimously agreed not to exercise their authority to appoint a United States Attorney. The district judges prefer to await a nomination by the President, subject to the advice and consent of the Senate, for this Executive Branch position.