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Chief Justice Catherine D. “Kitty” Kimball announced today that the Louisiana Supreme Court has appointed 16 members who will sit on the newly established *Pro Se* Litigant Task Force. According to Chief Justice Kimball, “The purpose of the committee is to study the issue of *pro se*, or ‘self represented,’ litigants and to examine what steps can be taken to assist such litigants and to make appropriate recommendations.”

The committee is comprised of judges and lawyers from a wide array of public interest law practice. Judge Harry F. Randow, 9<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court, is the Chairman of The *Pro Se* Litigant Task Force. The other members are: Judge Jerome J. Barbera, III, 17<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court; Judge Christopher J. Bruno, Orleans Civil District Court; Judge Scott J. Chrichton, 1<sup>st</sup> Judicial District Court; Bernadette D’Souza, Southeast Louisiana Legal Services; Christy Kane, Louisiana Appleseed; Kathleen McNelis, Louisiana Bar Foundation; Monte T. Mollere, Louisiana State Bar Association-Access to Justice; Mark Moreau, Southeast Louisiana Legal Services; Joseph R. Oelkers, III, Acadiana Legal Services; Judy Pace, Judge Kent D. Savoie, 14<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court; Marta Schnabel, Louisiana State Bar Association -Access to Justice; Lisa Stansky, Southeast Louisiana Legal Services-*Pro Se* Court Project; Judge Stephens H. Winters, 4<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court; and Judge Lisa Woodruff-White, East Baton Rouge Family Court.

For more information on the *Pro Se* Litigant Task Force, contact Brian Wiggins with the Louisiana Supreme Court Judicial Administrator’s Office at 504-310-2538.