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Amanda S. Haines is New ELEC Executive Director

Thomas H. Prol, chair of the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission (ELEC), announced today the appointment of Amanda S. Haines as the Commission's new Executive Director.

Haines replaces Jeffrey M. Brindle, who retired in October 2023.

She is the sixth person and first woman to serve in the Director's seat since ELEC's formation in 1973.

Haines assumed the position on May 4, 2024.

"With Executive Director Haines at the helm, New Jersey voters can be confident that ELEC will continue to fulfill its transparency mandate and will vigorously monitor and enforce campaign financing laws with an eye toward protecting and lifting up vulnerable and historically disenfranchised communities," Prol said.

"Amanda Haines has dedicated 19 years to fulfilling the mission of the ELEC and we are pleased to advance her to this pinnacle role at the Agency," Prol added. "Her credentials are impeccable, and her service has seen the organization through several significant milestone events and numerous changes."

Amanda Haines began her career at ELEC in 2005, serving as an Assistant Legal Counsel for 12 years. In 2017, she became the Deputy Legal Director and since March 2023, has served the Commission as Acting Legal Director.

Haines has extensive experience prosecuting matters within the Commission's jurisdiction and advising the Commission on legal issues.

She has represented the Commission before the Superior Court of New Jersey, Appellate Division, and the Supreme Court of New Jersey.

Haines has an A.B in Sociology from Princeton University and received her J.D. cum laude from Temple University Beasley School of Law.

She is a native of Hammonton and lifelong New Jersey resident.

