

Judge Matthew V. Rudski

Judge Matthew V. Rudski is currently assigned to the Civil Division of the Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas, to which he was elected in November 2025. He presides over a general trial docket and two specialty dockets—housing court and conservatorships.

Judge Rudski majored in history and German at Washington & Jefferson College (2008) and earned his law degree from the Duquesne Kline School of Law (2013). Between his undergraduate studies and matriculating at Duquesne Kline as an evening division student, Judge Rudski completed a gap year on a Fulbright Fellowship, teaching at two high schools in Austria.

Before taking the bench, Judge Rudski built his legal career in private practice with Giuffre Law Office and Jones, Gregg, Creehan & Gerace. His primary areas of practice included school and municipal law, estate planning and administration, and real estate law. He earned recognition as a Pennsylvania Rising Star by SuperLawyers on multiple occasions.

Judge Rudski has a strong commitment to public service, having previously served as a councilman and mayor for his hometown, Sharpsburg Borough. Judge Rudski also served as the elected magisterial district judge for the six Fox Chapel Area communities. To promote access to justice and trauma-informed practices while a district judge, Judge Rudski introduced innovative initiatives such as night court for juvenile cases and working individuals, used trained therapy dogs in court, and utilized social workers and diversionary services in his courtroom.

To better serve the community, Judge Rudski frequently partners with Pennsylvanians for Modern Courts, and other justice-adjacent organizations to promote goodwill and confidence in the judiciary through conversations or workshops on the courts.

Judge Rudski is the recipient of the Duquesne University Mind, Heart, and Spirit Award (2013), the Governor's Award for Local Government Excellence (2018), the HUMANE Action Pittsburgh Legislator of the Year Award (2018), the Washington & Jefferson College Outstanding Young Alumni Award (2023), and the Duquesne Kline School of Law Outstanding Achievement Award (2026).

Judge Rudzki and his wife, Bridget, continue to reside in Sharpsburg with their children, Lydia (6), Lorelei (4), and Theodore (2).