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**THIRD DISTRICT COURT OF MIDDLESEX COUNTY
RELOCATES FROM CAMBRIDGE TO MEDFORD**

Chief Justice for Administration and Management Robert A. Mulligan today announced that the Third District Court of Middlesex County, currently located in the Edward J. Sullivan Courthouse in Cambridge, will move to a new court facility on the Mystic Valley Parkway in Medford after the close of business on February 20, 2009, and open for business at this new site on Monday, February 23, 2009.

Approximately 70 court personnel will occupy the renovated 56,000 square-foot, one-story building, which the Trial Court has leased for five years. The facility provides three courtrooms with sound amplification and digital audio recording capabilities, two jury deliberation rooms, and 12 holding cells. The building also provides modern security and HVAC systems, record storage space, and on-site parking.

The courthouse includes office space for staff of the Middlesex District Attorney's Office and the Court Clinic, as well as space designated for victims/witnesses, bar advocates and police prosecutors.

Individuals seeking domestic violence restraining orders will continue to be served in the District Court at its new location in Medford. Domestic violence restraining order relief continues to be available at the Middlesex Probate and Family Courthouse at 208 Cambridge Street in Cambridge.

As of March 23, 2009, public transportation to the relocated district court is available from Lechmere Station by taking the Green Line inbound to North Station and changing there to board the Orange Line to Wellington Station where Bus #134c will provide transportation to the corner of Commercial Street and Mystic Valley Parkway near the courthouse entrance.

The new mailing address for the Third District Court of Middlesex County is 4040 Mystic Valley Parkway, Medford, MA 02155. The main telephone number is 781-306-2710. The main number for the Clerk Magistrate's office is 781-306-2715 and the fax number there is 781-395-2035. The main number for the Probation Department is 781-306-2750 and their fax number is 781-395-2147.

The District Court Department is composed of 62 Divisions with 158 judges across the Commonwealth. The Massachusetts Trial Court includes seven court departments with 378 judges who deliver justice to thousands of citizens daily in 106 courthouses across the state.