

**PENNSYLVANIA APPELLATE JUDGES**  
**THE SUPREME COURT**

**CHIEF JUSTICE RONALD D. CASTILLE**  
**SUPREME COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA**

Mr. Justice Castille was born March 16, 1944, in Miami, Fla.; *Education*: Itazuke High School, Fukuoka, Japan; Auburn University (B.S., 1966); University of Virginia School of Law (J.D., 1971); commissioned second lieutenant, U.S. Marine Corps, 1966; Vietnam veteran, awarded Bronze Star and two Purple Hearts; assistant and deputy district attorney, Philadelphia County, 1971-85; elected Philadelphia district attorney for two terms, 1986-91; lawyer, litigation department of Reed, Smith, Shaw & McClay, Philadelphia, 1991-93; Outstanding Disabled Veteran of the Year Award, National Disabled American Veterans and Pennsylvania Disabled American Veterans, 1988; President's Award for Outstanding Service, National District Attorneys Association, 1991; Distinguished Public Service Award, Pennsylvania County and State Detectives Association, 1987; executive board member, Criminal Justice Coordinating Commission, 1986-91; vice president and legislative chairman, National District Attorneys Association, 1986-91; board member, Urban Coalition, 1988-91; Pennsylvania Advisory Committee of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, 1992-1997; commissioner, President's Commission on Model State Drug Laws, 1992-present; secretary and vice president, Philadelphia Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund; liaison, Criminal Procedural Rules Committee, Minor Court Rules Committee and Ad Hoc Committee on Evidence, 1994-01; elected justice, Supreme Court, November 1993; retained November 2003; chief justice, Jan., 2008.

**THOMAS G. SAYLOR** was born Dec. 14, 1946, in Meyersdale; *Education*: University of Virginia (B.A., 1969); Columbia University School of Law (J.D., 1972) University of Virginia (LL.M. 2004); general practice of law, 1972-82; appointed first assistant district attorney, Somerset County, 1973; appointed director, Pennsylvania Bureau of Consumer Protection, 1982; appointed first deputy attorney general, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, 1983; partner, Eckert Seamans Cherin & Mellot; elected judge, Superior Court, November 1993; elected justice, Supreme Court, November 1997; retained November 2007.

**J. MICHAEL EAKIN** was born Nov. 18, 1948, in Mechanicsburg. *Education*: Franklin & Marshall College (1970); Dickinson School of Law (J.D., 1975); Widener University (Honorary Doctor of Law, 2005); adjunct professor, Widener University; Cumberland County assistant district attorney, 1975-83; Cumberland County district attorney, 1984-95; private practice, 1980-89; Cumberland County, Dauphin County, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania and American bar associations; Criminal Law Symposium Planning Committee, Pennsylvania Bar Institute; president, 1992-93, education chairman, 1987-95, executive committee, 1987-94, Pennsylvania District Attorneys Association; president, 1994-95, board of directors, 1987-95, Pennsylvania District Attorneys Institute; National District Attorneys Association; past president, Troop H State Police Youth Camp; Lecturer of Merit Award, National College of District Attorneys, 1990; Pennsylvania Criminal Procedural Rules Committee, 1994-00, chairman, 1998-00; elected judge, Superior Court, November 1995; elected justice, Supreme Court, November 2001;

retained November 2011.

**MAX BAER** was born Dec. 24, 1947, in Pittsburgh. *Education*: University of Pittsburgh, 1971; Duquesne Law School, 1975; Deputy Attorney General, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, 1975-80; private practice, 1980-89; elected judge, Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas, 1989; appointed administrative judge of Family Division, Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas, 1993; served in civil division, Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas, 1999-2003; former chair, Supreme Court Domestic Relations Procedural Rules Committee; ex officio member, Juvenile Court Judges' Commission; former chair, Pennsylvania Conference of State Trial Judges, Family Law Section, ex officio member; Pennsylvania Adoption Advocate of the Year, 1997; Adoption 2002 Excellence Award from the federal Department of Health and Human Services; Domestic Relations Association of Pennsylvania Robert S. Steward Award, 1999; Child Advocate of the Year, Pennsylvania Bar Association, 2000; Champion of Children's Award, Homeless Children's Education Fund, 2003; elected justice, Supreme Court, November 2003; Most Valuable Peacemaker Award from PA Mediation Council, 2004; Civic Leadership Award, Three Rivers Adoption Council, 2005; Champion of Hope and Healing Award presented by the Child Advocacy Center at Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh, 2010; frequent lecturer and author on various legal issues; elected justice, Supreme Court, November 2003.

**DEBRA McCLOSKEY TODD** was born in 1957, in Ellwood City, Pennsylvania, the daughter of the late Harry and Blanche McCloskey; married to Stephan K. Todd, Esq. *Education*: Chatham College (B.A. with Honors, 1979); University of Pittsburgh School of Law (J.D., 1982, Law Review); University of Virginia School of Law (LL.M. 2004); in-house litigation attorney, U.S. Steel Corp., 1982-87; private practice, 1987-99; elected member, Academy of Trial Lawyers of Allegheny County; alumna and former board member, Leadership Pittsburgh Program; member, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania and American bar associations; fellow, Allegheny County and Pennsylvania Bar Foundations; member, American Judicature Society, National Association of Women Judges, International Association of Women Judges, Women's Bar Association of Western Pennsylvania; former board member, Leadership Pittsburgh, Finnegan Foundation; board member, Pittsburgh Action Against Rape, Pittsburgh Civic Light Opera; recipient, Outstanding Elected Democratic Woman of the Year Award, Pennsylvania Law Weekly Women in the Profession Woman of the Year Award, Chatham University 2008 Honorary Doctorate in Public Service, Chatham University 2009 Cornerstone Award for Law; elected judge, Superior Court, November 1999; elected justice, Supreme Court, November 2007.

**SEAMUS P. McCAFFERY** was born June 3, 1950 in Belfast, Northern Ireland; *Education*: LaSalle University, Temple University School of Law; former captain, United State Marine Corps; former commanding officer, U.S. Air Force Reserve; current Emergency Preparedness Liaison Officer for Homeland Defense, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; 20-year veteran, Philadelphia Police Department; elected judge, Philadelphia Municipal Court,

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1993; appointed Administrative Judge, Philadelphia Municipal Court, 2001; recipient, American Legion Man of the Year award, Catholic War Veterans Man of the Year, Philadelphia Shomrim Fellowship Award, AOH Humanitarian Award, John Peter Zenger Distinguished Jurist Award; Chapel of Four Chaplains, Legion of Honor Bronze Medallion; elected judge, Superior Court, November 2003; elected justice, Supreme Court, November 2007.

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**CORREALE F. STEVENS, President Judge**, was born in Hazleton; *Education*: Pennsylvania State University (A.B.); Dickinson School of Law (J.D.); past chairman, Wilkes-Barre Law and Library Association Young Lawyers Division; private practice; Hazleton city solicitor, 1976-79; Hazleton city authority solicitor; Outstanding Young Pennsylvanian; chairman, Technology Committee of Superior Court; instructor, Penn State University, Hazleton Campus; associate editor, *Dickinson Law Review*; elected, Pennsylvania House of Representatives, 1980, 1982, 1984 and 1986; elected Luzerne County district attorney, 1987; graduate, Outward Bound; appointed judge, Luzerne County Court of Common Pleas, 1991, elected full term, 1991; elected judge, Superior Court, November 1997; retained November 2007.

**KATE FORD ELLIOTT** *Education*: University of Pittsburgh (B.A., 1971); Duquesne University (M.S., 1973); Duquesne University School of Law (J.D., 1978); reading specialist, Pittsburgh Board of Education, 1971-78; judicial law clerk to Superior Court Senior Judge Harry M. Montgomery, 1978-80; administrative assistant to former Superior Court President Judge William F. Cercone, 1980-82; chief staff attorney, Superior Court, 1982-88, lawyer, Kirkpatrick & Lockhart, 1988; member, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania and American bar associations, ABA Judicial Administration Division, Pennsylvania State Trial Judges Conference, National Association of Women Judges, American Judicature Society, fellow, Allegheny County and American Bar Foundation; Immediate Past President Council of Chief Judges of the State Courts of Appeal; elected judge, Superior Court, November 1989; retained November 1999, President Judge, Superior Court, 2006-10; retained November 2009.

**JOHN L. MUSMANNO** *Education*: Washington & Jefferson College, magna cum laude and Phi Beta Kappa (B.A., 1963); assistant editor, *Vanderbilt Law Review*, Vanderbilt University School of Law (J.D., 1966); member, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania and American bar associations; member, Pennsylvania Judicial Conduct Board, 2001-2005; president judge, Pennsylvania Court of Judicial Discipline, 2005-2009; President's Award, Pennsylvania Trial Lawyers Association, 1991; Academy of Trial Lawyers of Allegheny County award, 1993; private practice, 1966-81; elected district justice, 1970-81; elected judge, Allegheny Court of Common Pleas, 1982-90; administrative judge, civil division, Allegheny Court of Common Pleas, 1990-97; elected judge, Superior Court, November 1997; retained November 2007.

**JOHN T. BENDER** *Education*: The Pennsylvania State University (B.A., 1970); Duquesne University School of Law (J.D., 1976); law clerk, Pennsylvania Superior Court, 1974-76; assistant district attorney, Allegheny County, 1976-78; judicial clerk, Pennsylvania Supreme Court, 1978; private law practice, 1979-02; district justice, Magisterial District 05-2-04, 1997-02; member, Allegheny County and Pennsylvania bar associations; elected judge, Superior Court, November 2001; retained November 2011.

**MARY JANE BOWES** *Education*: Georgetown University (B.A., 1976); University of Pittsburgh School of Law (J.D., 1979); private law practice, 1979-81; clerk to Superior Court of Pennsylvania Senior Judge Harry Montgomery, 1980-81; clerk to Chief Justice of

Supreme Court of Pennsylvania Henry X. O'Brien, 1981-82; clerk to Superior Court of Pennsylvania Senior Judge John P. Hester, 1982-86; private law practice, 1986-98; corporate counsel, IT Corporation, Monroeville, 1998-01; member, Allegheny County Bar Association, Pennsylvania Bar Association, PBA Commission on Women in the Profession, 2001-present, co-chair; Appellate Advocacy Committee of PBA, 2006-2008; elected member, Academy of Trial Lawyers of Allegheny County, 1996; president, Board of Directors, Parental Stress Center, 1989-94; member, Board of Directors, St. Thomas More Society, 1980-2005; DePaul Institute, 1992-02; St. Clair Memorial Hospital, 1996-2001; Allegheny County Finance & Development Commission, 1995-98; Pittsburgh Civic Light Opera, 1996-2007; Duquesne University, 1998-2005; St. Anthony School Programs, 2002-present, chair, 2007-present; Allegheny County Medical Society Foundation, 2007-present; American Inns of Court, 2004-2006; co-chair, Judiciary Committee, Women's Bar Association of Western Pa., 2003, co-president 2006-2007; Pennsylvania's Fifty Best Women in Business Award, 1997; elected judge, Superior Court, November 2001; retained November 2011.

**JACK PANELLA** was admitted to practice law in Pennsylvania in 1980; judicial law clerk, 1980-82; private law practice, 1982-91; appointed assistant county solicitor for Northampton County, 1982-87, and county solicitor, 1987-1991; appointed judge Northampton County Court of Common Pleas, 1991; member, Executive Committee and Judicial Ethics Committee, Pennsylvania State Conference of Trial Judges; chair, Commonwealth Partners Program; appointed judge, Pennsylvania Court of Judicial Discipline, 1997-2001; elected president judge, Pennsylvania Court of Judicial Discipline, 2000; appointed to Judicial Conduct Board, April 2005, elected chair, July 2007; chair, Judicial Auditing Agency, 2006-2009; appointed to the Commission for Justice Initiatives in Pennsylvania (CJI), 2004, chair, Public Education and Community Outreach subcommittee of CJI; former president and board member, Boys and Girls Club of Easton, UNICO and the Sons of Italy; past board member, Easton Hospital and Northampton Community College; wrote short film on the history and operation of the Pennsylvania Judiciary; wrote *The Pennsylvania Sexual Violence Benchbook*, published December 2007; elected to board of directors, Pennsylvania Coalition Against Rape, 2010; elected judge, Superior Court, November 2003.

**SUSAN PEIKES GANTMAN** *Education*: University of Pennsylvania (B.A. cum laude, M.A., 1974); Villanova University School of Law (J.D., 1977); *Employment*: law clerk to Montgomery County Common Pleas Judge Richard S. Lowe; solicitor, Montgomery County Office of Children and Youth and Montgomery County Housing and Community Development; assistant district attorney, Montgomery County; private law practice, 1981-1991; partner, Sherr, Joffe & Zuckerman P.C., 1991-1998; senior member and co-chair of Family Law Section, Cozen O'Connor, 1998-2003; *Recognitions*: Outstanding Service, Montgomery County Office of Children and Youth; Award, Juvenile Advisory Association; Super Lawyer, Philadelphia Magazine; Federation Award, Bond of Faith; Honoree, Jewish Law Day; Honoree, Villanova Law Alumni Association; Margaret Richardson Award, Montgomery County Bar Association; *Memberships*: American, Pennsylvania, Montgomery County and Philadelphia County Bar Associations; Former Member, ABA Divorce Arbitration Institute;

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Member, PBA Women in the Profession Committee; Member, PBA Promotion of Women Committee; Former chair, PBA Awards Committee; Member, PBA Children's Rights Committee; Member, PBA Appellate Advocacy Committee; PBA Fellow; Member, MCBA Middle School Jury Project Advisory Panel; Member, MCBA Bar Foundation Taxis Circle; Former Co-Chair, MCBA Family Law Committee; Former Member, MCBA Family Law Committee; Former Member, MCBA Appellate Procedure Committee; Former Member, MCBA Criminal Rules Committee; Former Member, MCBA Bench-Bar Committee; Former Member, MCBA Long Range Planning Committee; Former Chair, MCBA Cultural Committee; Former member, Women's Initiative, Cozen O'Connor; Member, Louis D. Brandeis Law Society; Member, National Association of Women Judges; Participant, Appellate Judges Seminar, Institute of Judicial Administration, New York University School of Law; Former lecturer, Pennsylvania State Police Academy; Member, Juvenile Court Section, Pennsylvania Conference of State Trial Judges; Contributor, Pennsylvania Dependency Benchbook Committee (reference guide to the law and practice of dependency, highlighting best practices); Former master, Villanova University Inns of Court; Member, Villanova University Inns of Court; Member, Pennsylvania Juvenile Officers Association; Board of Directors, Women's Philanthropy; Board of Directors, the Federation of Allied Jewish Appeal; Board of Directors, Women of Vision; Chair, Records Management Committee, Superior Court of Pennsylvania; Member, Commission for Justice Initiatives in Pennsylvania, Superior Court of Pennsylvania; Member, Self-represented Litigation Task Force, Superior Court of Pennsylvania; Member, Case Management Committee, Superior Court of Pennsylvania; Member, CLS Study Committee, Superior Court of Pennsylvania; Former Member, Web Site Committee, Superior Court of Pennsylvania; elected judge, Superior Court, confirmed January 2004.

**CHERYL LYNN ALLEN** *Education:* The Pennsylvania State University (BS degree in Elementary Education, 1969); University of Pittsburgh School of Law (J.D. 1975); private law practice, Neighborhood Legal Services, the Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission and the Allegheny County Law Department, 1980-1990; merit selection appointment to the Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas, Criminal Division, 1990; elected Judge Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas, Family Division, Juvenile Section, 1991; retained 2001; Judge, Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas, Criminal Division, 2004-2007. While serving in Juvenile Court, Judge Allen appointed to the Supreme Court Juvenile Court Judges Commission; Associate Professor, Point Park University January 2010-; Associate Professor, Point Park University 2001-2006; helped to create programs such as the Birth Parent Mentoring Program and Youth Enrichment Services Diversion Program; Board Member of Cornerstone Television, Hosanna House, Waynesburg University Board of Trustees, and Advisory Board Member of the National Regional Church CARE; elected judge, Superior Court of Pennsylvania, November 2007.

**CHRISTINE DONOHUE** was born December 24, 1952, in Coaldale, Pennsylvania. *Education:* East Stroudsburg University (B.A., 1974), Duquesne University School of Law (J.D., 1980, Law Review, Order of the Barrister); private law practice, 1980-2007; Recognized: Best Lawyers in America (2005-2008); Pennsylvania Super Lawyers (2006 and 2007); Top 50 Attorneys in Pittsburgh (2006 and 2007); twice recognized, most recently in 2008, in Pennsylvania Law Weekly as one of the State's "Women Leaders in the Legal Profession", Member, American, Pennsylvania and Allegheny County Bar Associations;

American College of Trial Lawyers (Pennsylvania State Chair, 2002-04) 2000-present; International Academy of Trial Lawyers, 2004-present; Academy of Trial Lawyers of Allegheny County, 1989-present; American Board of Trial Advocates, 1998-present; Pennsylvania Trial Lawyers Association (Board of Governors, 1986-1988); past president of the Western Pennsylvania Trial Lawyers Association, 1990; Allegheny County Bar Association, Board of Governors, 1988-1990, Chair of the Young Lawyers Division, 1989; American Bar Foundation; Allegheny County Bar Foundation; Pennsylvania Bar Association, House of Delegates, 1986-2008; Boards; The National Aviary of Pittsburgh, Board of Trustees, 2005-2010; Turtle Creek Valley Mental Health/Mental Retardation Association, assistant solicitor, 1980-89; The Hill House Association, board of directors, 1990-96; Make-A-Wish Foundation of Southwestern Pennsylvania, board of directors, 1996-2002; Pennsylvania Board of Law Examiners (Chairperson, 1994-96), 1990-96; Judge, Pennsylvania Court of Judicial Discipline, 1993-96; Disciplinary Board of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, 1997-2003; Judicial Conduct Board, March 2009-June 2011; elected judge, Superior Court, November 2007.

**JACQUELINE O. SHOGAN** *Education:* Temple University (B.S.N., summa cum laude, 1975); University of Virginia (M.S.N. 1981); Duke University School of Law (J.D. with high honors, Order of the Coif, 1990); *Employment History:* former nurse and nurse educator; 1975-1987; private law practice 1990-1997; career law clerk to Judge Maurice B. Cohill, Jr. of the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania, 1997-2001; member of the complex civil litigation and health law groups at Thorp Reed & Armstrong, LLP, 2002-2007; adjunct professor of law at the University of Pittsburgh School of Law, 2005-present; *Recognized:* 2007-2008 "Woman of the Year" Award by The Legal Intelligencer and Pennsylvania Law Weekly and 2009 Celebrate & Share "Woman of the Achievement" award; *Fellow:* Allegheny County and Pennsylvania Bar Foundations; *Member:* Allegheny County, Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania and American Bar Associations; PBA Civil Litigation Section, PBA Commission on Women in the Profession, PBA Judicial Administration Committee, PBA ADR Committee and PBA Appellate Advocacy Committee; National Association of Women Judges; Women's Bar Association of Western Pennsylvania; Federal Bar Association; Bar Association of the Third Federal Circuit; Executive Women's Council; Business and Professional Women USA/PA; *Former Member:* Board of Directors of Neighborhood Legal Services Association, 2003-2009; Board of Trustees of St. Edmund's Academy, 2000-2006; Board of Directors of Eastern Seals Western Pennsylvania, 1998-2005; Attorney General Tom Corbett's Transition Team, 2004-2005; elected judge, Superior Court, November 2007.

**JUDITH FERENCE OLSON** was born in Pittsburgh. *Education:* Albright College (1975-1976); Saint Francis College (University) (B.A. magna cum laude, 1979); Duquesne University School of Law (J.D., cum laude (2nd in class), 1982); Experience: Judicial law clerk to Judge Maurice B. Cohill, Jr., United States District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania, 1982-1984; Dickie, McCamey & Chilcote, P.C., associate 1984-1988, partner 1989-1998; Sweeney Metz Fox McGrann & Schermer, LLC, partner 1998-2000; Schnader Harrison Segal & Lewis LLP, partner 2000-2008, chairperson of Antitrust and Trade Regulation Practice Group, 2007-2008, partner-in-charge of litigation (Pittsburgh Office), 2006-2008; member, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania and Federal bar associations; member, American Inns of Court; elected member, Academy of Trial Lawyers of Allegheny County, 2004, member, Board of Governors, 2007-2008; named by Law & Politics Magazine as a Pennsylvania Super Lawyer® in Busi-

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ness Litigation, 2004-2008; named by Law & Politics Magazine as one of the Top 50 Female Lawyers in Pennsylvania, 2004; member, American Heart Association National Board of Directors, 2006-2009; member, Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh Ethics Committee, 2006-2008; member, American Heart Association — Allegheny Division Board of Directors, 2006 to present; member, Pastoral Council of Diocese of Pittsburgh, 2008-present; Earl G. Harrison Community Service Award, 2008; American Heart Association Volunteer of the Year Award, 1999; Community Champion Award, 1999; co-editor, Trade & Commercial Laws of the Russian Federation — Official Codification and Commentary (Oceana, 1993); appointed judge, Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County, November 2008; elected judge, Superior Court, November 2009.

**SALLIE UPDYKE MUNDY** was born in Elmira, New York, raised in Tioga, Pennsylvania. *Education:* Washington and Jefferson College (B.A., 1984); University of Pittsburgh School of Law (J.D. 1987); judicial law clerk to Tioga County President Judge, Robert M. Kemp Jr. (1987-1988); private law practice 1988-2009: McQuaide, Blasko Schwartz, Fleming & Faulkner, State College (1988-1995); Law Office of Stephen A. Ryan, Bala Cynwyd (1995-1996); Schwartz, Campbell & Detweiler, Philadelphia (1996-1998); McEldrew & Fullam, Philadelphia (1998-2009); volunteer public defender, Tioga County (2008-2009); member, Tioga County, Philadelphia, and Pennsylvania Bar associations; Pennsylvania Bar Association offices held: chair, Young Lawyers Division Zone 11 (1993-1995); Young Lawyers Division At-Large chair (1995-1996); member, House of Delegates (1996-2006); appointed Trustee, Bar Trust (1997-2008); member, Pennsylvania Bar Foundation Commonwealth Club; appointed by Pennsylvania Supreme Court to the Interest on Lawyers Trust Account (IOLTA) Board (1997-2003); appointed by the Disciplinary Board of the Supreme Court to Disciplinary Hearing Committee, 3.02 (1995-2001, chair 1999-2001); Professional Awards: Keystone Legal Services for pro bono services 1991, 1992; Tioga Township Board of Supervisors for professional assistance to the Planning Commission (2004); elected judge, Superior Court, November 2009.

**PAULA FRANCISCO OTT** was born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Education: University of Delaware (B.A., 1972); Temple University School of Law (J.D., 1975, L.L.M. (Taxation), 1981); Assistant District Attorney of Chester County (1975-1978); Assistant County Solicitor of Chester County (1978-1981); former partner: Gawthrop, Greenwood & Halsted (1981-1991); elected, Court of Common Pleas of Chester County, 1991, retained 2001; President Judge, 2005-2010; President, Pennsylvania Conference of State Trial Judges, 2003-2004; member, Pennsylvania Bar Association, Chester County Bar Association; Joint State Government Commission, Advisory Committee on Decedents Estates Laws; Supreme Court Orphans' Court Procedural Rules Committee; Pennsylvania Bar Association's Commission for Justice Initiatives in Pennsylvania; Trustee, The Chester County Hospital Foundation; elected, Superior Court, 2009.

**ANNE E. LAZARUS** *Education:* State University of New York at Stony Brook (B.A., 1972); Temple University School of Law (J.D., 1976; LL.M., 1986); legal counsel to the Orphans' Court Division, Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas, 1980-1991; private law practice, 1991; appointed judge, Philadelphia County Court of Common Pleas, 1991, elected full term, 1991, retained 2001; member, Pennsylvania Conference of State Trial Judges Judicial Ethics Committee, 1996-2005, chairperson, 2005-2009; co-chairperson, Pennsylvania Conference of State Trial Judges Orphans' Court Committee, 2007-2009; chairperson, First Judicial District Judges

Pro Bono Committee, 2005-2009; chairperson, First Judicial District Merit Selection Committee, 2005-2009; chairperson, Supreme Court of Pennsylvania Ad Hoc Committee Judicial Canons of Ethics, 2010-present; adjunct professor, Widener University School of Law, 1996-present; adjunct professor, National Institute of Trial Advocacy (NITA), 1998-present; adjunct professor, National Judicial College, 1998-2003; lecturer, Pennsylvania Bar Institute, 1991-present; member, American Judges Association, 1991-present; board member, Volunteers for the Indigent Program, 2000-present; president, Prisoners' Family Welfare Association, 1995-2000; president, Temple American Inn of Court, 2004; chancellor (inaugural), Louis D. Brandeis Law Society, 2003; board member, Temple Beth Hillel/Beth El, 1980-1995; board member/advisory committee member, Hahnemann University Nursing School, 2001-2003; board member, Jewish Community Center, 2004-present, vice-president, 2011-present; Judicial Conduct Board, 2011-present; member, Temple University School of Law Alumni Association; first recipient, Pennsylvania Bar Association Legal Services for the Public Committee's Judge's Award, 2005; first recipient, PLAN of PA—Bernard White Community Service Award, 2008; recipient, Brandeis Law Society, Benjamin F. Levy Community Service Award, 2008; elected judge, Superior Court, November 2009.

**DAVID N. WECHT** was born on May 20, 1962 in Baltimore. Education: Yale University (B.A. 1984 and J.D., 1987); National Merit Scholar; Summa Cum Laude, Phi Beta Kappa; Notes Editor, The Yale Law Journal; Editor, Yale Journal of International Law; Editor, Yale Law and Policy Review. Career Highlights: Law Clerk to the Hon. George E. MacKinnon, U.S. Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit (1987-1988); associate, Williams & Connolly, Washington, D.C. (1989-1993); associate, Katarincic & Salmon, Pittsburgh (1993-1996); partner, The Wecht Law Firm, Pittsburgh (1996-2003); elected (1997) and re-elected (1999), Register of Wills & Clerk of Orphans Court, Allegheny County; adjunct professor, Duquesne University School of Law (1997-Present); adjunct instructor, University of Pittsburgh Graduate School of Public & International Affairs (2010-Present); Appointed and commissioned as judge, Court of Common Pleas, Fifth Judicial District (Feb. 2003), elected to a ten-year term Nov. 2003 (served Feb. 2003-Jan. 2012); Appointed by PA Supreme Court as Administrative Judge, Family Division (served Jan. 2009-Jan. 2011). Member, PA Supreme Court Domestic Relations Procedural Rules Committee (2009-2011); National Council of Juvenile & Family Court Judges (2005-2011); PA Juvenile Court Judges Commission (ex officio) (2009-2011); chair, Changing The Culture Of Custody Task Force, Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas (2009-2011); PA Office Of Children And Families In The Courts Leadership Roundtables (2009-2011); Pennsylvania Conference of State Trial Judges, Judicial Security Committee (2004-2006), Executive Committee (2006-2012); Law Enforcement Advisory Committee, PA Commission on Crime & Delinquency (2003-2005); Former Master, Pittsburgh chapter, American Inns Of Court; fellow, Allegheny County Bar Foundation (2010-Present); Board of Advisors, Cyril H. Wecht Institute Of Forensic Science & Law (2010-Present). Selected Awards: U.S. Marine Corps Reserve Commander's Award (2001); Regional Development Funding Corp., Certificate of Recognition (2000, 2001); The Children's Charity, Variety Club, Certificate of Recognition (2000); U.S. Court Of Appeals For The District of Columbia Circuit, Award for Distinguished Service (1988). Elected judge, Superior Court, November 2011.

**PENNSYLVANIA APPELLATE JUDGES  
THE COMMONWEALTH COURT**

**DANTE ROBERT PELLEGRINI, President Judge.** Born Sept. 15, 1945, in Pittsburgh; *Education:* Duquesne University (B.A., 1967); Duquesne University School of Law (J.D., 1970); first lieutenant, U.S. Army, 1971-73; assistant solicitor, Pittsburgh Law Department, 1973-74; special assistant solicitor, Pittsburgh Law Department, 1974-77; first assistant solicitor, Pittsburgh Law Department, 1977-78; deputy city solicitor, Pittsburgh Law Department, 1978-82; city solicitor, Pittsburgh Law Department, 1982-89; associated with the firm Metz, Cook, Hanna & Kelly, 1977-82; member, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania and American bar associations; lecturer, Pennsylvania Bar Institute, National Institute of Municipal Law Officers; faculty, National Judicial College; elected judge, Commonwealth Court, November 1989; retained November 1999, November 2009.

**BERNARD L. MCGINLEY** was born Jan. 7, 1946, in Pittsburgh; *Education:* John Carroll University (B.S., 1967); University of Pittsburgh School of Law (J.D., 1970); Office of the Allegheny County District Attorney, trial staff, Allegheny County, 1971-74; professor, criminal law, Allegheny County Community College, 1974-75; private law practice, general practitioner, 1975-77; chair, Board of Viewers, Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County, 1977-82; elected to Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County, 1982; elected judge, Commonwealth Court, November 1987; retained November 1997, November 2007.

**BONNIE BRIGANCE LEADBETTER** *Education:* graduated in 1968 from Rice University; University of Pittsburgh School of Law, 1971; managing editor, *Law Review*, University of Pittsburgh School of Law; assistant district attorney, Philadelphia County, 1971-76; assistant U.S. attorney for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, 1976-81; Judge Pro Tempore, Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas; partner, Fineman & Bach, P.C. (1990-96); fellow, American College of Trial Lawyers; member, Widener Law and Government Institute Board of Visitors; master, J. Willard O'Brien American Inn of Court; board of directors, Pennsylvania Bar Institute; adjunct professor, Temple University School of Law LL.M. program in trial advocacy; instructor, trial advocacy CLE courses sponsored by the ABA Appellate Judges' Conference, the Eastern District CLE Committee, the Philadelphia Bar Association, the Pennsylvania Bar Institute and the Academy of Trial Advocacy; previously served as a member, Local Rules Advisory Committee, U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania; director, Historical Society of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania; chair, Third Circuit Lawyers' Advisory Committee, 1991; chair, Federal Courts Committee, Philadelphia Bar Association, 1990. Appointed judge, Commonwealth Court, May 1996; elected judge, Commonwealth Court, November 1997; retained November 2007; appointed Court of Judicial Discipline, 1999-03.

**RENÉE COHN JUBELIRER** *Education:* The Pennsylvania State University (B.A. with distinction, 1978); Northwestern University School of Law (J.D. cum laude, 1983); executive editor, *Northwestern University Law Review*; private law practice, 1984-96; deputy county solicitor, 1996-97; assistant county solicitor, 1997-99, Lehigh County; legal counsel, ATX Telecommunications Services, 1997-01; teaching

fellow, Stanford Law School, 1983-84; assistant professor of law De Paul College of Law, 1985-87; arbitrator, Lehigh County Common Pleas Court, 1994-01; township commissioner, South Whitehall Township, 2000-01; Chair, Appellate Procedural Rules Committee of the Supreme Court; member American, Pennsylvania, Lehigh and Centre County bar associations; Master, James S. Bowman American Inn of Court; Master, The Wilkinson-Campbell American Inn of Court; Lecturer, Pennsylvania Bar Institute; member, PBA Workers' Compensation Liaison Committee; elected judge, Commonwealth Court, November 2001; retained November 2011.

**ROBERT EDWARD SIMPSON JR.** *Education:* Dickinson College (B.A., magna cum laude, 1973); Dickinson School of Law (J.D., 1976); law clerk to Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania Judge Glenn E. Mencer, 1976-78; private law practice, 1979-89; adjunct professor of law, The Dickinson School of Law, 1998-present; judge, Northampton County Court of Common Pleas, 1989-01; member, Northampton and Pennsylvania bar associations, American Judicature Society, Pennsylvania Minor Judiciary Education Board, Pennsylvania Conference of State Trial Judges Family Court Section, president, Judge Clinton Budd Palmer Inn of Court, 1996-97; certified civil trial advocate, National Board of Trial Advocacy, 1984; vice chair, board of directors, AIDSNET; advisory committee member, Boy Scouts of America, Minsi Trail Council; author, "Limits on Students' Speech in the Internet Age," 105 Dick.L.Rev. 181, Winter 2001; elected judge, Commonwealth Court, November 2001; retained November 2011.

**MARY HANNAH LEAVITT** *Education:* Connecticut College (B.A., 1969); University of Pennsylvania (M.A., 1972); Dickinson School of Law (J.D. 1978); editor, *Dickinson Law Review*; assistant counsel, chief of litigation, chief counsel, Pennsylvania Insurance Department, 1978-87; private law practice, 1987-01; shareholder, Buchanan Ingersoll, 1991-01; adjunct professor, Pennsylvania State University, 1996, 1998; member, Dauphin County, Pennsylvania and American Bar associations; member, James S. Bowman American Inn of Court; elected judge, Commonwealth Court, November 2001; retained November 2011.

**PAUL KEVIN BROBSON** *Education:* Lycoming College (B.A., magna cum laude, 1992); Widener University School of Law, Harrisburg (J.D., summa cum laude, 1995); internal managing editor, *Widener Journal of Public Law*; admitted to practice in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and the District of Columbia; judicial clerk to the Honorable James McGirr Kelley, Eastern District of Pennsylvania, 1995-1996; private law practice, 1996-2009; shareholder, Buchanan Ingersoll & Rooney PC, 2004-2009; member, Pennsylvania and Dauphin County bar associations; member, James S. Bowman American Inn of Court; commissioner, Middle Paxton Township, Planning Commissioner, 2008-2009; member, Penn State Hershey Four Diamonds Advisory Board; elected judge, Commonwealth Court, November 2009.

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