

*THOSE  
WHO SERVE*

**CURRENT  
DISTRICT JUDGES**

## **MARY LOU ROBINSON**

BORN: 1926, in Dodge City, Kansas

LAW SCHOOL: University of Texas School of Law

FEDERAL JUDICIAL SERVICE: 1979-present

APPOINTED BY: President Jimmy E. Carter

CHAMBERS LOCATION: Amarillo, Texas

Mary Lou Robinson was sworn in as United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas on May 1, 1979.

Judge Robinson graduated from the University of Texas (B.A. 1948) and from the University of Texas School of Law (LL.B. 1950). In 1949, Judge Robinson opened a private law practice under the firm name of Robinson and Robinson in Austin, Texas, with her husband, A.J. Robinson. She moved to Amarillo, Texas, in the spring of 1950 and continued in private practice until she was appointed judge of the newly-created County Court at Law in Potter County in 1955. Judge Robinson was elected judge of the 108th District Court in Amarillo in 1961 and was subsequently reelected in 1964, 1968, and 1972. In 1973, she was appointed justice of the Seventh Court of Appeals in Amarillo, making her the first female appellate judge in Texas. She was appointed chief justice of that court in 1977 and continued to serve as chief justice until her appointment to the federal bench.

President Jimmy E. Carter nominated Judge Robinson on February 23, 1979, to a new seat on the Northern District of Texas bench that was created by 92 Stat. 1629. Judge Robinson was confirmed by the Senate on April 24, 1979, and received her commission on April 26, 1979.

Judge Robinson is a member of the American Bar Association, Federal Judges Association, National Association of Women Lawyers, Amarillo Bar Association, State Bar of Texas, and fellow of the Texas Bar Foundation. Judge Robinson is also a member of the civil pattern jury charge committee for the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals. Judge Robinson has received many awards and honors throughout her distinguished career. She was named one of the 100 "Legal Legends" by *Texas Lawyer* and also was named "Distinguished Alumna" by Amarillo College in 2004. Judge Robinson received the Outstanding Fifty-Year Lawyer Award presented by the Texas Bar Foundation, the Sandra Day O'Connor Award for Professional Excellence by the Texas Center for Legal Ethics, the Chief Justice Charles L. Reynolds' Lifetime Achievement Award by the Amarillo Area Bar Association, the Samuel Pessarra Outstanding Jurist Award by the State Bar of Texas, and the Girl Scouts 2007 Woman of Distinction. She is currently the longest serving active district judge in the Fifth Circuit.

Judge Robinson has served as federal liaison on the State Bar of Texas board of directors and on the Judicial Council of the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals. She is an

active member of the Rotary Club of Amarillo and a member of the National Association of Women Lawyers. She has served as an elder in the Presbyterian Church and coordinator of adult education.

Judge Robinson was married for many years to attorney A.J. Robinson. She has two daughters and one son.

***ALLEN JOE FISH***

BORN: 1942, in Los Angeles, California

LAW SCHOOL: Yale Law School

FEDERAL JUDICIAL SERVICE: 1983-present

APPOINTED BY: President Ronald W. Reagan

CHAMBERS LOCATION: Dallas, Texas

A. Joe Fish was sworn in as United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas on March 11, 1983.

Judge Fish graduated from Yale College (B.A.1965) and from Yale Law School (LL.B. 1968). Judge Fish began his professional career at McKenzie & Baer in Dallas. After practicing law for twelve years, Judge Fish was elected judge of the 95th District Court in Dallas. On September 1, 1981, Judge Fish was elected justice of the Fifth District Court of Appeals in Dallas.

President Ronald W. Reagan nominated Judge Fish on January 31, 1983, to a seat vacated by Patrick E. Higginbotham. Judge Fish was confirmed by the Senate on February 23, 1983, and received his commission on February 24, 1983. On January 1, 2002, Judge Fish became chief judge for the Northern District of Texas.

Judge Fish has served on the Judicial Conference Committee on the Administrative Office since 2001. He also serves as the federal liaison on the State Bar of Texas board of directors and previously served on the Judicial Council of the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals. He is a fellow of the Texas Bar Foundation.

Judge Fish and his wife Betty have one daughter and one son.

***SIDNEY ALLEN FITZWATER***

BORN: 1953, in Olney, Maryland

LAW SCHOOL: Baylor University School of Law

FEDERAL JUDICIAL SERVICE: 1986-present

APPOINTED BY: President Ronald W. Reagan

CHAMBERS LOCATION: Dallas, Texas

Sidney A. Fitzwater was sworn in as United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas on April 21, 1986.

Judge Fitzwater graduated from Baylor University (B.A. 1975) and from Baylor University School of Law (J.D. 1976). Judge Fitzwater began his professional career practicing law with Vinson & Elkins in Houston (1976 to 1978) and then with Rain Harrell Emery Young & Doke in Dallas (1978 to 1982). He served as a district judge of the 298th Judicial District Court in Dallas from 1982 to 1986.

President Ronald W. Reagan nominated Judge Fitzwater on January 29, 1986, to a seat vacated by Robert M. Hill. Judge Fitzwater was confirmed by the Senate on March 18, 1986, and received his commission on March 19, 1986. At the time of his appointment he was, at age 32, the youngest federal judge in the United States.

Judge Fitzwater has received many honors and awards during his career. In 1983 he was awarded the Baylor University Young Graduates Award of Merit. He received the Baylor University Alumni Association's Outstanding Young Alumnus Award (1985) and the Fort Worth Independent School District Outstanding Alumni Award (1986). In 1990, the Baylor University Chapter of Omicron Delta Kappa honored him during Men and Women of Merit Week. In 2007, he received the Baylor University Alumni Association's Price Daniel Distinguished Public Service Award.

Judge Fitzwater has served on the Judicial Conference Committee on Rules of Practice and Procedure since 2000. He serves on the Fifth Circuit Judicial Council and is a member of the Council's rules committee. Judge Fitzwater is a member of the State Bar of Texas, Dallas Bar Association, Federal Judges Association, and is president of the District Judges Association of the Fifth Circuit. He is also a fellow of the Texas Bar Foundation.

Judge Fitzwater and his wife Nancy have three sons.

## ***SAMUEL RAY CUMMINGS***

BORN: 1944, in Lubbock, Texas

LAW SCHOOL: Baylor University School of Law

FEDERAL JUDICIAL SERVICE: 1987-present

APPOINTED BY: President Ronald W. Reagan

CHAMBERS LOCATION: Lubbock, Texas

Sam R. Cummings was sworn in as United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas on December 11, 1987.

Judge Cummings graduated from Texas Tech University (B.B.A. 1967) and from Baylor University School of Law (J.D. 1970). Judge Cummings began his legal career practicing law with Culton, Morgan, Britain & White in 1970, and he became a partner in the firm in 1974. Judge Cummings remained with the firm until he was appointed to the federal bench.

President Ronald W. Reagan nominated Judge Cummings on July 31, 1987, to a seat vacated by Halbert O. Woodward. Judge Cummings was confirmed by the Senate on December 8, 1987, and received his commission on December 9, 1987. Judge Cummings presides over cases in the Lubbock, Abilene, and San Angelo divisions.

Judge Cummings is board certified in civil trial law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization. He is a fellow of the Texas Bar Foundation and a member of the State Bar of Texas and the American Bar Association. He was formerly a member of the Texas Association of Defense Counsel, the International Association of Defense Counsel, and the Defense Research Institute. He also is former chairman of the District 13 Grievance Committee for the State Bar of Texas. In 2007 he was named Lawyer of the Year by Baylor University School of Law.

Judge Cummings and his wife Sally have one daughter and one son.

***JOHN HENRY MCBRYDE***

BORN: 1931, in Jackson, Mississippi

LAW SCHOOL: University of Texas School of Law

FEDERAL JUDICIAL SERVICE: 1990-present

APPOINTED BY: President George H.W. Bush

CHAMBERS LOCATION: Fort Worth, Texas

John H. McBryde was sworn in as United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas on August 7, 1990.

Judge McBryde graduated from Texas Christian University (B.S. 1953) and the University of Texas School of Law (LL.B. 1956). Judge McBryde was an associate, then partner with the predecessor to Cantey Hanger from 1956 until 1969. He was a partner with McBryde & Bennett and predecessor firms from 1969 until 1990, when he was appointed to the federal bench.

President George H.W. Bush nominated Judge McBryde on May 11, 1990, to a seat vacated by Eldon B. Mahon. Judge McBryde was confirmed by the Senate on August 3, 1990, and received his commission on August 7, 1990.

Judge McBryde is a member of the State Bar of Texas and is a fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers, American Bar Foundation, Texas Bar Foundation, and Tarrant County Bar Foundation.

Judge McBryde and his wife Betty have two daughters and one son.

## **JORGE ANTONIO SOLIS**

BORN: 1951, in San Ygnacio, Texas

LAW SCHOOL: University of Texas School of Law

FEDERAL JUDICIAL SERVICE: 1991-present

APPOINTED BY: President George H.W. Bush

CHAMBERS LOCATION: Dallas, Texas

Jorge A. Solis was sworn in as United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas on November 8, 1991.

Judge Solis graduated from McMurry University (B.A. 1973) and the University of Texas School of Law (J.D. 1976). Judge Solis became an assistant criminal district attorney for Taylor County in 1976, a position he held until 1981. He was in private practice with Moore & Holloway in Abilene from 1981 to 1982. In 1982, he was elected Taylor County district attorney. He was special prosecutor for the West Central Texas Narcotics Task Force briefly before being elected judge of the 350th District Court in Abilene in 1989. He served on that court until 1991, when he was appointed to the federal bench.

President George H.W. Bush nominated Judge Solis on June 19, 1991, to fill a seat vacated by Robert W. Porter. Judge Solis was confirmed by the Senate on September 12, 1991, and received his commission on September 16, 1991.

Judge Solis is a member of the State Bar of Texas, Dallas Bar Association, State Bar of Texas Pattern Jury Charges — Criminal Law Committee, and the United States Advisory Council — National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. He is also on the board of directors for McMurry University. From 1987 to 1990, he was a member of the governor's task force on drug abuse.

Judge Solis and his wife Rebecca have two sons and one daughter.

## ***TERRY ROBERT MEANS***

BORN: 1948, in Roswell, New Mexico

LAW SCHOOL: Southern Methodist University School of Law

FEDERAL JUDICIAL SERVICE: 1991-present

APPOINTED BY: President George H.W. Bush

CHAMBERS LOCATION: Fort Worth, Texas

Terry R. Means was sworn in as United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas on November 5, 1991.

Judge Means graduated from Southern Methodist University (B.A. 1971) and Southern Methodist University School of Law (J.D. 1974). Judge Means was a partner with Means & Means, Corsicana, Texas, from 1974 until 1989. In 1989, he was appointed justice of the Texas Tenth Court of Appeals in Waco by Governor William P. Clements. He served on that court until 1991.

President George H.W. Bush nominated Judge Means on July 24, 1991, to a seat vacated by Honorable David O. Belew, Jr. and was confirmed by the Senate on October 31, 1991.

Judge Means has received several significant honors and awards during his career. Included among those are the SMU Dedman School of Law Distinguished Alumni Award for Judicial Service and the Tarrant County Bar Association's Silver Gavel Award, both conferred in 2006.

Judge Means was a presidential elector for the State of Texas in 1980, Republican Party nominee for state representative for Ellis and Navarro Counties in 1980, and chairman of the Republican Party of Navarro County from 1976 through 1988. Judge Means is a master emeritus in the Eldon B. Mahon Inn of Court and served as its president in 1999. He has served on the board of directors of Lambda Chi Alpha International Fraternity since 2002.

Judge Means is a member of the State Bar of Texas and the Tarrant County Bar Association. He is admitted to practice in the United States District Courts for the Northern, Western, and Eastern Districts of Texas and the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit.

An avid soccer fan and youth coach during his children's years at home, Judge Means has served his communities as president of both the Corsicana and the Fort Worth Youth Soccer Associations, as well as the Corsicana YMCA.

Judge Means and his wife JoAnn have one son and two daughters.

## **SAM A. LINDSAY**

BORN: 1951, in San Antonio, Texas

LAW SCHOOL: University of Texas School of Law

FEDERAL JUDICIAL SERVICE: 1998-present

APPOINTED BY: President William J. Clinton

CHAMBERS LOCATION: Dallas, Texas

Sam A. Lindsay was sworn in as United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas on September 1, 1998. He is the first African-American judge of this district.

Judge Lindsay graduated from St. Mary's University (B.A. 1974) and the University of Texas School of Law (J.D. 1977). Judge Lindsay served as a staff attorney for the Texas Aeronautics Commission in Austin from 1977 to 1979. He moved to Dallas in 1979 and became a member of the City of Dallas' legal team. He began in the prosecution division in May 1979, and then he moved to the federal litigation section, where he worked for ten years. Judge Lindsay went on to hold several high-level management positions within the city attorney's office, and in 1992 he was named city attorney. Judge Lindsay served as Dallas city attorney from May 1992 to September 1998.

President William J. Clinton nominated Judge Lindsay on November 8, 1997, to fill a new seat on the Northern District of Texas bench that was created by 104 Stat. 5089. Judge Lindsay was confirmed by the Senate on March 11, 1998, and received his commission on March 17, 1998.

Judge Lindsay has received many honors and awards during his career. In 1993, he was awarded the Trailblazers Award for being the first African-American city attorney in Dallas. In 1996, he was awarded the C.B. Bunkley Award for exceptional service to the community by the J.L. Turner Legal Association. He received the Man of the Year Award from the South Dallas Business and Professional Women's Club in 1999, and the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Justice Award from the Dallas Bar Association in 2000. In 2003, Judge Lindsay received the Distinguished Alumnus Award for Community Service from the University of Texas School of Law. In June 2006, Judge Lindsay received the J.L. Turner Legal Association's L.A. Bedford Distinguished Jurist Award. In June 2007, Judge Lindsay received the Dallas Association of Young Lawyers' Outstanding Mentor Award for 2006-2007.

Judge Lindsay is a member of the State Bar of Texas, Patrick E. Higginbotham American Inn of Court, J.L. Turner Legal Association, City of Dallas Judicial Nominating Commission, International Municipal Lawyers Association, the Center for American and International Law, Leadership Dallas Class of 1992, Federal Judiciary Advisory Committee for the Northern District of Texas, Dallas Business Journal Advisory Committee, Fifth Circuit Bar Association, and Dallas Bar Association. Judge Lindsay is board certified in civil trial law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization and is licensed by the Texas Supreme Court, United States District Court for the

Northern District of Texas, United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, and United States Supreme Court.

Judge Lindsay and his wife Kathleen have three daughters.

***BARBARA MICHELE GOLDEN LYNN***

BORN: 1952, in Binghamton, New York

LAW SCHOOL: Southern Methodist University School of Law

FEDERAL JUDICIAL SERVICE: 2000-present

APPOINTED BY: President William J. Clinton

CHAMBERS LOCATION: Dallas, Texas

Barbara M. G. Lynn was sworn in as United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas on February 14, 2000.

Judge Lynn graduated from the University of Virginia (B.A. 1973) and Southern Methodist University School of Law (J.D. 1976). In 1976, she joined the law firm of Carrington, Coleman, Sloman & Blumenthal, LLP, and remained there until she was appointed to the federal bench in 1999. She became a named partner in the firm in 1983 and served on the firm's executive committee from 1983 to 1999.

President William J. Clinton nominated Judge Lynn on March 25, 1999, to fill a seat vacated by Harold Barefoot Sanders, Jr. Judge Lynn was confirmed by the Senate on November 17, 1999, and received her commission on November 22, 1999.

Judge Lynn has received many honors and awards during her career. Judge Lynn received Southern Methodist University School of Law's Distinguished Alumni Award for private practice in 1999. She was the first recipient of the Louise Raggio award given by the Dallas Women Lawyers Association for her contributions to the profession. In 2004, Judge Lynn was recognized as Judge of the Year by the Dallas Chapter of the American Board of Trial Advocates, and in 2006 she was recognized by the Women and the Law Section of the State Bar of Texas as the Sarah T. Hughes Woman Lawyer of Achievement.

Judge Lynn has been a member of the Judicial Conference Committee on the Administration of the Bankruptcy System since 2003, and she will chair the committee from 2007-2010. She served as the 1998-1999 chair of the American Bar Association's 60,000 member Section of Litigation and has been chair of the research fellows of the Southwestern Legal Foundation, and a member of the ABA Standing Committee on Federal Judicial Improvements, as well as past president of the Patrick E. Higginbotham Inn of Court. She is chair-elect of the Federal Trial Judges Conference of the American Bar Association Judicial Division, vice-chair of the American Bar Association Judicial Division, and trustee for the Center of American and International Law. She has been an adjunct professor at Southern Methodist University School of Law and is a member of the law school's executive board. She is also president-elect of the Dallas Chapter of the International Women's Forum, is a fellow and has been committee chair of the Judiciary Committee of the American College of Trial Lawyers, and a member of the American Law Institute.

Judge Lynn and her husband Michael have two daughters.

**DAVID CHARLES GODBEY**

BORN: 1957, in Temple, Texas

LAW SCHOOL: Harvard Law School

FEDERAL JUDICIAL SERVICE: 2002-present

APPOINTED BY: President George W. Bush

CHAMBERS LOCATION: Dallas, Texas

David C. Godbey was sworn in as United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas on August 7, 2002.

Judge Godbey graduated from Southern Methodist University (B.S.E.E./B.S. 1978). He worked for Texas Instruments as an electrical engineer from 1978 to 1979. He then graduated from Harvard Law School (J.D. 1982) where he served on the *Harvard Law Review* from 1980-1982. Following law school, Judge Godbey clerked for the late Irving L. Goldberg, United States Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals. After his clerkship, Judge Godbey went to work for Hughes & Luce, LLP, where he stayed for the next eleven years. In 1995, Judge Godbey was elected to the 160th District Court in Dallas, where he served until 2002. He was selected by his colleagues to serve as presiding civil district judge and local administrative district Judge for the thirty-seven district courts in Dallas County. Governor Rick Perry appointed Judge Godbey to sit as temporary justice on the Texas Supreme Court to hear *In re TXU* in 2001.

President George W. Bush nominated Judge Godbey on January 23, 2002, to a fill a seat vacated by Robert B. Maloney. Judge Godbey was confirmed by the Senate on August 1, 2002, and received his commission on August 2, 2002.

Judge Godbey received the Civil Jurist of the Year award in 1997 from the American Board of Trial Advocates, Dallas Chapter, and was named a Toll Fellow in 1998 by the Council of State Governments.

Judge Godbey is a member of the American Law Institute, American Bar Association, and the Dallas Bar Association. He is a fellow of the Dallas Bar Foundation and a master in the William "Mac" Taylor Inn of Court. He served on the State Bar of Texas Administration of Rules of Evidence Committee, Texas Supreme Court Judicial Campaign Finance Study Committee, and Judicial Selection Task Force of the Texas Commission on Judicial Efficiency. He was a commissioner for the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws from 1999-2004 and chair of the Dallas Bar Association Appellate Section in 1996. Judge Godbey is board certified in civil appellate law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization and is a registered patent attorney.

Judge Godbey and his wife Beverly have one son and one daughter.

**JAMES EDGAR KINKEADE**

BORN: 1951, in Denton, Texas

LAW SCHOOL: Baylor University School of Law

FEDERAL JUDICIAL SERVICE: 2002-present

APPOINTED BY: President George W. Bush

CHAMBERS LOCATION: Dallas, Texas

Ed Kinkeade was sworn in as United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas on November 18, 2002.

Judge Kinkeade graduated from Baylor University (B.A. 1973), Baylor University School of Law (J.D. 1974), and the University of Virginia School of Law (LL.M 1998). Judge Kinkeade practiced in Irving with Power & Kinkeade where they represented the Dallas Cowboys, Las Colinas Corporation, and David McDavid Enterprises. Judge Kinkeade was elected to County Criminal Court No. 10 in Dallas in January 1981, where he served for eight months. In September 1981, Governor William P. Clements appointed Judge Kinkeade to the 194<sup>th</sup> District Court in Dallas. In 1988, Governor Clements appointed him to the Fifth Court of Appeals in Dallas, where he served until his appointment to the federal bench.

President George W. Bush nominated Judge Kinkeade on July 18, 2002, to a seat vacated by Joe Kendall. Judge Kinkeade was confirmed by the Senate on November 14, 2002, and received his commission on November 15, 2002.

Judge Kinkeade has received many honors and awards during his career. He was named one of Baylor University's outstanding young alumni, as well as being named by *D Magazine* as one of the outstanding judges in Dallas. Judge Kinkeade served on the boards of Dallas Baptist University, Volunteer Center of Dallas (chair), Baylor Medical Center Irving, Downtown Dallas YMCA, OPEN Inc., City of Dallas Mayor's Blue Ribbon Task Force on Alcoholism, the Texas Supreme Court's Jury Task Force, and was a charter member of the Irving School Foundation. He presently serves as chairman of the board of trustees of the Baylor Health Care System and on the board of directors of Baylor University Alumni Association.

Judge Kinkeade is a member of the Judicial Conference Committee on Space and Facilities and the Fifth Circuit Judicial Council Space and Staffing Committee. He is an adjunct professor of law at Texas Wesleyan School of Law. He has co-authored two books, West's *Kinkeade & McColloch's Texas Penal Code Annotated* and National Institute for Trial Advocacy's *A Practical Guide to Texas Evidence: Objections, Responses, Rules, and Practice Commentary*, and numerous law review articles.

Judge Kinkeade and his wife Melissa have one daughter and one son.

**JANE JACKSON BOYLE**

BORN: 1954, in Sharon, Pennsylvania

LAW SCHOOL: Southern Methodist University School of Law

FEDERAL JUDICIAL SERVICE: Magistrate Judge, 1990-2002  
District Judge, 2004-present

APPOINTED BY: President George W. Bush

CHAMBERS LOCATION: Dallas, Texas

Jane J. Boyle was sworn in as United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas on June 29, 2004.

Judge Boyle graduated from the University of Texas at Austin (B.S. 1977) and Southern Methodist University School of Law (J.D. 1981). Judge Boyle began her professional career as assistant district attorney for Dallas County in 1981, where for six years she participated in numerous jury trials and bench trials involving offenses ranging from murder and aggravated robbery to securities fraud. In 1985, Judge Boyle was promoted to chief felony prosecutor of the major commercial fraud unit for the Dallas district attorney's office, where she remained until 1987. In 1987, she was appointed Assistant United States Attorney for the Northern District of Texas. As an Assistant United States Attorney, she represented the United States in federal criminal and civil cases. In 1990, Judge Boyle was appointed the first female United States Magistrate Judge for the Northern District of Texas, where she served for twelve years. As a magistrate judge, Judge Boyle presided over numerous trials and hearings and authored opinions in almost every area of federal civil jurisdiction. She published an article in the June 1996 volume of the *Texas Bar Journal* titled: "The Federal Work Product Doctrine: A 'How-To' for Litigators." In 2002, she was appointed the first woman United States Attorney for the Northern District of Texas by President George W. Bush. She served as United States Attorney until she was appointed to the federal bench.

President George W. Bush nominated Judge Boyle on November 24, 2003, to a seat vacated by Jerry L. Buchmeyer. Judge Boyle was confirmed by the Senate on June 17, 2004, and received her commission on June 29, 2004.

Judge Boyle is also active in numerous professional activities. She is a former president of the William "Mac" Taylor American Inn of Court. She is a fellow of the Texas Bar Foundation and has served as trustee for the Dallas Bar Foundation. In 2001, she was vice-chair of the Dallas Bar Association's Business Litigation Section and co-chair of the Pro Bono Activities Committee. In April 2007, Judge Boyle was appointed to serve on the Fifth Circuit's Pattern Criminal Jury Charge Committee.

Judge Boyle and her husband John have one son and one daughter.



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**SENIOR  
DISTRICT JUDGES**

***HAROLD BAREFOOT SANDERS, JR.***

BORN: 1925, in Dallas, Texas

LAW SCHOOL: University of Texas School of Law

FEDERAL JUDICIAL SERVICE: 1979-present

APPOINTED BY: President Jimmy E. Carter

CHAMBERS LOCATION: Dallas, Texas

Harold Barefoot Sanders, Jr. was sworn in as United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas on May 4, 1979.

Judge Sanders graduated from the University of Texas (B.A. 1949) and from the University of Texas School of Law (J.D. 1950). Judge Sanders began his professional career in 1950 when he joined his father's law firm, Storey Sanders Sherrill Armstrong & Steger, in Dallas. He served as a Texas state representative from 1953 to 1959. In 1961, he was appointed United States Attorney for the Northern District of Texas by President John F. Kennedy. Judge Sanders served in this capacity until 1965, when he was appointed Assistant Deputy Attorney General of the United States. In 1966, he was appointed Assistant Attorney General of the United States. Then in 1967, he was appointed legislative counsel to President Lyndon B. Johnson. In 1969, Judge Sanders returned to private practice in Dallas.

President Jimmy E. Carter nominated Judge Sanders on February 6, 1979, to a new seat on the Northern District of Texas bench created by 92 Stat. 1629. Judge Sanders was confirmed by the Senate on April 24, 1979, and received his commission on April 26, 1979. Judge Sanders served as acting chief judge from 1987 to 1988 and chief judge from 1989 to 1995. He assumed senior status on January 1, 1996.

During his almost 28 years as an active district judge, Judge Sanders oversaw some of the most important cases in the Northern District of Texas, including *Tasby v. DISD, et al.*, the Dallas school desegregation case, and *RAJ, et al. v. Gilbert, et al.* and *Lelsz v. Kavanagh*, cases challenging conditions in state hospitals for the mentally ill and state schools for the mentally challenged.

Judge Sanders has received many significant honors during his distinguished career. He received the 1995 Dallas Bar Foundation Fellows Award. In 1999, he was recognized with a Lifetime Achievement Award by the University of Texas School of Law's Alumni Association. The Dallas Bar Association honored him with the Morris Harrell Professionalism Award in 2002. In 2005 he received a Justice Award from William Wayne Justice Center for Public Interest Law for his commitment to public service and equal justice for all, and in 2006 the Dallas Bar Association honored him with the Martin Luther King Jr. Justice Award. In 2007, the Dallas Hispanic Bar Association gave him the Lifetime Achievement Award for his contributions that led to the desegregation of Texas Schools.

Judge Sanders served as district judges' representative from the Fifth Circuit to the Judicial Conference of the United States from 1989 to 1992; chair of the Judicial Conference Committee on the Judicial Branch from 1994 to 1997; member of the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation from 1992 to 2000; and chair of the National Conference of Federal Trial Judges of the American Bar Association from 1988 to 1989. In 1998, he received an honorary doctor of law degree from Southern Methodist University. He is a member of the American Bar Association, Dallas Bar Association, American Judicature Society, Federal Bar Association, State Bar of Texas, and is a fellow of the Texas Bar Foundation and Dallas Bar Foundation.

Judge Sanders and his wife Jan have three daughters and one son.

**JERRY LYNN BUCHMEYER**

BORN: 1933, in Overton, Texas

LAW SCHOOL: University of Texas School of Law

FEDERAL JUDICIAL SERVICE: 1979-present

APPOINTED BY: President Jimmy E. Carter

CHAMBERS LOCATION: Dallas, Texas

Jerry Buchmeyer was sworn in as United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas on December 14, 1979.

Judge Buchmeyer graduated from the University of Texas (B.A. 1956) and the University of Texas School of Law (LL.B. 1957). Judge Buchmeyer was a partner at Thompson & Knight in Dallas from 1958 until his appointment to the federal bench in 1979.

President Jimmy E. Carter nominated Judge Buchmeyer on August 3, 1979, to a seat vacated by William M. Taylor, Jr. Judge Buchmeyer was confirmed by the Senate on October 4, 1979, and received his commission on October 5, 1979. Judge Buchmeyer served as chief judge from 1995 until 2001. Judge Buchmeyer assumed senior status on September 5, 2003, but he continues to carry a full caseload. He presides over cases in the Dallas and Wichita Falls divisions.

Judge Buchmeyer served on the Judicial Conference Committee on Codes of Conduct from 1993 to 1999 and on the Judicial Council of the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals. He is a member and former director of the State Bar of Texas, member and former president of the Dallas Bar Association, member of the American Bar Association, and fellow of the Texas Bar Foundation. He is a trustee and charter fellow of the Dallas Bar Foundation. He chaired the State Bar Grievance Committee from 1975 to 1979. In 2003, the Dallas Bar Foundation honored Judge Buchmeyer with the Fellows Award for his outstanding career as a jurist and his many years of bar leadership and service. He has been the presiding judge in the Texas High School Mock Trial Competition for many years, and he writes the "et cetera" humor column for the *Texas Bar Journal*.

Judge Buchmeyer has two daughters and two sons.

***ROBERT BRUCE MALONEY***

BORN: 1933, in Dallas, Texas

LAW SCHOOL: Southern Methodist University School of Law

FEDERAL JUDICIAL SERVICE: 1985-present

APPOINTED BY: President Ronald W. Reagan

CHAMBERS LOCATION: Dallas, Texas

Robert B. Maloney was sworn in as United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas on January 31, 1986.

Judge Maloney graduated from Southern Methodist University (B.B.A. 1956) and attended Southern Methodist University School of Law. He served as assistant district attorney for Dallas County from 1961 to 1962. Judge Maloney was in private practice from 1962 until 1984, first as a partner with Watts, Stallings & Maloney (1962-1965), then as a partner with Maloney, Milner & McDowell (1966-1975), partner with Maloney & McDowell (1976-1978), and then partner with Maloney & Maloney (1978-1984). Judge Maloney was elected Justice on the Fifth Court of Appeals in Dallas, where he served from 1983 to 1985. He also served as Texas state representative from 1973 until 1982.

President Ronald W. Reagan nominated Judge Maloney on July 23, 1985, to a new seat on the Northern District of Texas bench that was created by 98 Stat. 333. Judge Maloney was confirmed by the Senate on October 16, 1985, and received his commission on October 17, 1985. Judge Maloney assumed senior status on August 31, 2000.

Judge Maloney is a member of the State Bar of Texas and a life fellow of the Texas Bar Foundation.

Judge Maloney and his wife Frances have one son.