



Chief Justice Debra Todd

Term

January 2018 to December 2027

Education

Chatham College, B.A. with honors, 1979
University of Pittsburgh School of Law, J.D., Law Review, 1982
University of Virginia School of Law, LL.M, 2004

Professional Experience

Litigation attorney, U.S. Steel Corp., 1982-87
Private law practice, 1987-99
Elected a judge of the Pennsylvania Superior Court, 1999
Elected a justice of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, 2007; Retained 2017

Memberships and Associations

Allegheny County Bar Association
Allegheny County Bar Foundation
Academy of Trial Lawyers of Allegheny County
American Law Institute
Butler County Bar Association
Pennsylvania Bar Association
Pennsylvania Bar Foundation
American Bar Association
National Association of Women Judges
International Association of Women Judges
Women's Bar Association of Western Pennsylvania

Pittsburgh Civic Light Opera, Board of Directors
Pittsburgh Action Against Rape, Former Board Member, Past President
Leadership Pittsburgh Alumnae Board
Finnegan Foundation, Former Board Member

Awards and Honors

Women's Bar Association of Western Pennsylvania's Susan B. Anthony Award for promoting equality in the legal profession, 2017
Pittsburgh Action Against Rape Visionary Award recognizing individuals who have made a significant impact in the lives of survivors of sexual violence, 2016
Amen Corner Judge Robert E. Dauer Award for Judicial Leadership and Excellence, 2015
University of Pittsburgh's 225th Anniversary Medallion, recognizing alumni who have built better lives through their life's work, 2013
Pitt Law Women's Association Marjorie Matson Woman of the Year Award, 2013
Greater Pittsburgh YWCA Tribute to Women Leadership Award in Business & Professional Services, 2013
University of Pittsburgh Law Alumni Association Distinguished Alumni Award, 2012
Allegheny County Bar Association Philip Werner Amram Award for Professional Excellence, 2010
Chatham University Cornerstone Award for Law, 2009
Chatham University Honorary Doctorate in Public Service, 2008
Celebrate & Share Women of Achievement Award, 2008
The Legal Intelligencer Women in the Profession, Woman of the Year Award, 2007-2008
Pennsylvania Federation of Democratic Women, Woman of the Year 2007

Publications

Report and Recommendations of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court Elder Law Task Force (Chair) (2014)
"Sentencing of Adult Offenders in Crimes Involving the Sexual Abuse of Children, Too Little, Too Late? A View from the Pennsylvania Bench." 109 Penn State Law Review 487 (2004)



Justice Christine Donohue

Term

January 2016 to January 2026

Education

East Stroudsburg University, 1974
Duquesne University School of Law, J.D., 1980
Served on the Duquesne Law Review

Professional Experience

Private Practice, 1980-2007
Elected Judge of the Pennsylvania Superior Court, 2007
Elected Justice of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court, 2015
Private law firm practice manager, commercial litigation department
Pennsylvania Court of Judicial Discipline, former judge
Pennsylvania Board of Law Examiners, former chair and member
Pennsylvania Judicial Conduct Board, former chair and member
Pennsylvania Disciplinary Board of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, former member

Memberships and Associations

Academy of Trial Lawyer of Allegheny County
Elected Fellow American College of Trial Lawyers
International Academy of Trial Lawyers
American Bar Association
American Board of Trial Advocates
Allegheny County Bar Association
Allegheny County Bar Foundation, charter member

American Bar Foundation
Pennsylvania Bar Association
The Pennsylvania Society
W. Edward Sell Chapter of the American Inns of Court
Western Pennsylvania Trial Lawyers Association, Past President
Hill House Association, past board member
Served on the Board of Governors, Allegheny County Bar Association
Chair, Young Lawyers Division, Allegheny County Bar Association
Pennsylvania Bar Association, House of Delegates member
Make a Wish Foundation of Western Pennsylvania, past board member
Turtle Creek Valley Mental Health/Mental Retardation, Inc., past board member
National Aviary of Pittsburgh, past board member
Duquesne University School of Law, Advisory Board Member

Awards and Honors

Listed in Best Lawyers in America, 2005-2008
Celebrate & Share Women of Achievement Award, 2008
Pennsylvania Law Weekly, Women Leaders in the Legal Profession, 2008
Pennsylvania Federation of Democratic Women, Woman of the Year, 2015
Held the AV rating from Martindale-Hubbell, reaching the highest of professional excellence and recognized for the highest level of skill and integrity
Named as a Pennsylvania Super Lawyer
Named as one of the Top 50 Attorneys in Pittsburgh
Twice recognized as one of Pennsylvania's Women Leaders in the Legal Profession
Distinguished Alumni Award, East Stroudsburg University, 2016
Woman of the Year Award, Duquesne Kline Women's Law Association, 2023
Judge Robert E. Dauer Award for Judicial Leadership & Excellence, Amen Corner, 2023

Supreme Court

Supreme Court Justices

Chief Justice Debra Todd

› Justice Christine Donohue

Justice Kevin M. Dougherty

Justice David N. Wecht

Justice Sallie Updyke Mundy

Justice P. Kevin Brobson

Docket Sheets

Court Opinions and Postings

Supreme Court Prothonotary's Addresses

Calendar



Justice Kevin M. Dougherty

Term

January 2016 to January 2026

Education

Temple University, B.A., 1985
Antioch School of Law, J.D. 1987

Professional Experience

Assistant District Attorney, Philadelphia County, 1990-95
Private Law Practice, Marino & Dougherty, LLP, 1995-2001
Philadelphia Family Court Truancy Program, Special Master, 1998-2000
Appointed as judge of the Court of Common Pleas, Philadelphia County, 2001
Elected as judge of the Court of Common Pleas, Philadelphia County 2002-2012
Retained as judge of the Court of Common Pleas, Philadelphia County, 2012-15
Appointed Supervising Judge, Family Division, Philadelphia County, 2003-2005
Appointed Administrative Judge, Family Division, Philadelphia County, 2005-2014
Appointed Administrative Judge, Trial Division, Philadelphia County, 2014-2015
Elected justice of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, 2015

Memberships and Associations

Philadelphia Bar Association
Pennsylvania Bar Association
Allegheny County Bar Association, Associate Member
Domestic Relation Procedural Rules Committee of the Supreme Court, Former Vice-Chair
Juvenile Court Judges Commission, Former Vice-Chair
Juvenile Court Procedural Rules Committee, Former member

Pennsylvania Conference of State Trial Judges, Former First Vice-President
Pennsylvania Children's RoundTable, Philadelphia Committee, Former Chair
City of Philadelphia's Children's Commission of Distinguished Leaders
Pennsylvania Court Improvement Committee
Georgetown Public Policy Institute, Fellow
National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges
First Judicial District of Pennsylvania's Administrative Governing Board, Former Chair
U.S. Department of Justice, National Forum on Youth Violence Prevention; Violence Collaborative, Philadelphia County, Former Co-Chair

Awards and Honors

Bridge Way School Community Service Award, 2020
Irish Legal 100, Irish Voice eNewspaper, 2018, 2019
Georgetown University, Center for Juvenile Justice Reform, 2011
Juvenile Justice and Child Welfare: Multi-System Integration Certificate Program for Public Sector Leaders, Washington, D.C, July 2011
Dr. Martin Luther King Community Service Award - Bible Way Baptist Church, 2011
Civic Champion for Children Award - CORA Services, Inc., 2010
Excellence in Crime Prevention - Creative Partnership Award, Philadelphia Center City District, 2010
Special Recognition Award - Achieving Reunification Center, 2010
Certificate of Appreciation Award - Philadelphia Police Department, 2009
Matthew Carey Award - Emerald Education Committee, 2008
Imagine Award - Education Communities for Parenting, 2008
Shepherd of Peace Award - Good Shepherd Mediation Program, 2007
Community Service Award - The Support Child/Adult Network, Inc., 2007
Certificate of Appreciation - Blue Ribbon Commission of Children's Behavioral Health, Mayor John F. Street, 2006
Blue Ribbon Day Award - Philadelphia Police Department
Certificate of Appreciation - Intercultural Family Services, Inc., Adolescent Violence Reduction Partnership



Justice David N. Wecht

Term

January 2016 – January 2026

Education

Yale University, Yale College (B.A.), 1984. Phi Beta Kappa, Summa Cum Laude.

Yale University, The Yale Law School (J.D.), 1987. Notes Editor, The Yale Law Journal.

Professional Experience

Visiting Professor, Harry Radzyner Law School, Reichman University, Herzliya, Israel, 2022-Present.

Adjunct Professor, Duquesne University School Of Law, Pittsburgh, PA, 1997-Present.

Instructor, College of General Studies, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA, 2010-Present.

Professor, Criminal Justice College, East China University of Political Science and Law, Shanghai, China, November 2017-November 2020.

Judge, The Superior Court of Pennsylvania, 2012-2016.

Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Allegheny County, 2003-2012 (Administrative Judge, Family Division, 2009-2011).

Register of Wills & Clerk of Orphans' Court, Allegheny County, 1998-2003.

Partner, The Wecht Law Firm, Pittsburgh, PA, 1996-2003.

Associate, Katarincic & Salmon, Pittsburgh, PA, 1993-1996.

Associate, Williams & Connolly, Washington, DC, 1989-1993.

Judicial Law Clerk to Hon. George E. MacKinnon, Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit, Washington, DC, 1987-1988.

Memberships and Associations

Member, American Law Institute.

Member, American Bar Association.

Member, Pennsylvania Bar Association.

Member, Allegheny County Bar Association.

Member, Board of Trustees, The Cyril H. Wecht Institute of Forensic Science & Law, Duquesne University.

Fellow, Allegheny County Bar Foundation.

Awards and Honors

Jewish Law Day Award 2016, Louis D. Brandeis Law Society, Philadelphia, PA, May 10, 2016.

Humanitarian Award, J.N.L. Club, 2003.

Certificates of Recognition, Regional Development Funding Corp., Pittsburgh, PA, 2000, 2001.

U.S. Marine Corps Reserve, Commander's Award, Toys For Tots, 2001.

Certificate of Recognition, Variety Club, The Children's Charity, Pittsburgh, PA, 2000.

Honorary Citizenship, City of Harrisburg, PA, 2000.

"The Fabulous Forty Under Forty" Award, 1999.

"Pittsburgh's Fifty Finest" Award, 1997.

Certificate of Distinguished Service, U.S. Court of Appeals, D.C. Circuit, 1989.

Publications

A Multi-Factor Test Would Aid Paternity Decisions, 82:3 Pennsylvania Bar Quarterly 118--127 (Pennsylvania Bar Association) (co-authored with Jennifer Forbes, Esquire) (July 2011).

Some Reservations About Sealing Divorce Records, 33:2 Pennsylvania Family Lawyer 74-76 (Pennsylvania Bar Association) (co-authored with Jennifer Forbes, Esquire) (June 2011).

Parenting Coordinators Revisited, 32:3 Pennsylvania Family Lawyer 146- 147 (Pennsylvania Bar Association) (co-authored with Jennifer Forbes, Esquire) (September 2010).

A Judge's Comment On Trial Aids, 31:2 Pennsylvania Family Lawyer 55-56 (Pennsylvania Bar Association) (May 2009).

How Unfettered Advocates Distort Child Care Cases, Pennsylvania Law Weekly (32 PLW 125) (February 2, 2009).

The Discipline of Rules, 29:4 Pennsylvania Family Lawyer 138-40 (Pennsylvania Bar Association) (December 2007).

A Proposal for Reform of Pennsylvania's Slayers' Act: Protecting Innocent Family Members of Slain Victims, Pennsylvania Law Weekly (23 PLW 613) (June 12, 2000).

[Note: Judge Wecht's bill was signed into law in December 2000].

Note, Breaking the Code of Deference: Judicial Review of Private Prisons, 96 The Yale Law Journal 815 (March 1987).



Justice Sallie Updyke Mundy

Term

January 2018 to January 2028

Education

University of Pittsburgh School of Law (J.D.), 1987

Washington and Jefferson College (B.A.), 1984

Professional Experience

Elected Justice, The Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, 2017

Appointed Justice, The Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, July 2016 to December 2017

Judge, The Superior Court of Pennsylvania, 2010-2016

Volunteer Public Defender, Tioga County, 2008-09

Member Pennsylvania Interest on Lawyer Trust Accounts (IOLTA) Board, 1997-2003

Member Disciplinary Hearing Committee 3.02 1995-2001, past chair.

Lawyer, McEldrew & Fullam, Philadelphia, 1998-2009

Lawyer, Swartz Campbell & Detweiler, Philadelphia, 1996-98

Lawyer, Law Office of Stephen Ryan, Bala Cynwyd, 1995-96

Lawyer, McQuaide, Blasko, State College, 1988-1995

Judicial law clerk, Honorable Robert M. Kemp, President Judge, Tioga County, 1987-1988

Memberships and Associations

Pennsylvania, Philadelphia and Tioga Bar Associations

Pennsylvania Bar Association Insurance Trust, trustee, 1997-2008

Pennsylvania Bar Association House of Delegates, member, 1996-2008

Pennsylvania Bar Young Lawyer's Division Zone 11, chair, 1993-95, at-large chair, 1995-96

PBA Commission on Women in the Profession

Pennsylvania Bar Foundation Commonwealth Club
National Association of Women Judges

Awards and Honors

The Legal Intelligencer's, Top Women in Law, 2016

W. Edward Sell '45 Legal Achievement Award, Washington & Jefferson College, 2016

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Justice P. Kevin Brobson

Term

January 2022 to January 2032

Education

Widener University School of Law, Harrisburg Campus, summa cum laude, Managing Editor Law Review; 1995
Lycoming College (B.A., Accounting/Economics), magna cum laude, 1992

Professional Experience

Elected a justice of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, 2021
Elected President Judge of the Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania, effective Jan. 4, 2021
Elected a judge of the Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania, 2009
Judicial Conduct Board of Pennsylvania, 2015-2019 Former Secretary and Chair
Widener University Commonwealth Law School Jurist-in-Residence, 2016-2018
Shareholder, Buchanan Ingersoll & Rooney PC, 2003-09
Associate, Buchanan Ingersoll PC, 1996-2003
Judicial Clerk to the Honorable James McGirr Kelly (U.S. Dist. Ct., E.D. Pa.), 1995-96

Memberships and Associations

American, Pennsylvania, and Dauphin County Bar Associations
James S. Bowman American Inns of Court
St. Thomas More Society of Central Pa. Board of Governors
Widener University Commonwealth Law School Board of Advisors
The Honorable William W. Lipsitt American Inns of Court, 2011-12
Penn State Hershey Four Diamonds Advisory Board, Former Chair, 2010-16
Middle Paxton Township Planning Commission, 2008-09
Dauphin County Bar Association Public Services Committee, 2008-09

Jump Street Board of Directors, Former Chair, 2001-08
State Street Academy of Music Board of Directors, 2004-05

Awards and Honors

Lycoming College, Dr. James E. Douthat Outstanding Achievement Award (2022)
Widener Commonwealth Law School Pro Bono Service Provider Award (2014)
Diamond of Honesty Award, Penn State THON (2013)
The Best Lawyers in America—Insurance Law (2009)
Pennsylvania Bar Association Pro Bono Award Winner (2008)
Dauphin County Pro Bono Lawyer of the Year (2008)
Central Penn Business Journal “Forty Under 40” Honoree (2005)
American Lawyer Media-PA “Lawyer on the Fast Track” Honoree (2005)

Publications

P. Kevin Brobson, Of Free and Equal Elections and Fair Districts—How the Pennsylvania Supreme Court Slayed (or Hobbled?) the Partisan Gerrymander, 30 WIDENER COMMW. L. REV. 53 (2020)
P. Kevin Brobson, Representing Clients in Complex Insurance Matters, INSIDE THE MINDS: INSURANCE LAW CLIENT STRATEGIES 63 (2007)
P. Kevin Brobson, Myths, Misunderstandings Cloud Debate Over RRGs, BUSINESS INSURANCE, Aug. 23, 2004, at 12.
P. Kevin Brobson, Note, Minnesota v. Dickerson: The Plain feel Terry Stop and Frisk Is No Longer Limited to a Protective Search for Weapons, 3 WIDENER J. PUB. L. 951 (1994).