

Merit (2), Distinguished Flying Cross, Bronze Star (3), Meritorious Service Medal (2), Air Medal (6), Joint Services Commendation Medal (2); Army Commendation Medal. Member, American and Maryland State Bar Associations; director, Prince George's County Bar Association. Member, NAACP. Married; 3 children.

**KENNETH LAVON JOHNSON.** Eighth Judicial Circuit, 1982—. Born in Columbia, Mississippi, July 26, 1937. Attended Globe Academy; Southern University, B.A., 1959; Howard University, J.D., 1962. Admitted to the Maryland Bar, 1970. Served in the U.S. Army Judge Advocate General's Corps, 1962–1966. Member, American, Maryland State, Washington, D.C., Louisiana, and Monumental City Bar Associations. Member of editorial staff and notes editor, *Howard Law Journal*, 1961–1962. Recipient of Maryland Seventh Congressional District Award for Community Service; Public Spirit Award for Outstanding Leadership; J.S. Clark Memorial Award for high academic achievement. Married; 2 children.

**RAYMOND J. KANE, JR.** Fifth Judicial Circuit, 1982—. Born in Baltimore, June 9, 1938. Attended Calvert Hall High School; Loyola College; University of Maryland School of Law, LL.B., 1963. Admitted to the Maryland Bar, 1964. Served in the U.S. Army Reserve. Member, Maryland State and Howard County Bar Associations. President, Howard County Bar Association, 1976–1977. Assistant state's attorney, Howard County, 1966; counsel to Howard County Welfare Board, 1967; counsel to Howard County Park Board. Former president, Ellicott City Junior Chamber of Commerce. Co-editor, *Howard County Code*, 1970 and 1971 editions. Judge, District 10, District Court of Maryland, 1977–1982. Married; 2 children.

**JOSEPH H. H. KAPLAN.** Eighth Judicial Circuit, 1977—. Born in Brooklyn, New York, January 2, 1937. Attended The Johns Hopkins University, A.B., 1957; University of Chicago Law School, J.D., 1960. Admitted to the Maryland Bar, 1961. Served in the U.S. Army, U.S. Army National Guard, U.S. Air Force Reserve, and U.S. Navy Reserve. Member, American, Maryland State, and Baltimore City Bar Associations. Member, Court of Appeals Standing Committee on Rules of Practice and Procedure; Executive Committee, Maryland Judicial Conference and Board of the Maryland Sentencing Guidelines Project. Assistant U.S. Attorney for the District of Maryland, 1963–1965; served as executive secretary, Mayor's Advisory Commission on Crime; member, Maryland Commission on Human Relations, 1969–1971; president, Civil Service Commission of Baltimore City, 1972–1977; member, Baltimore City Expenditure Control Committee and Board of Ethics, 1972–1977; chairman, Baltimore City Executive Pay Plan Committee, 1975–1977; president, Library Committee of the Baltimore Bar, 1979–1983. Chairman, Alcoholism Services Advisory Committee of the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Program, University of Maryland School of Medicine. Member, Serjeants' Inn Law Club; Barristers' Law Club; Lawyers Round Table Law Club; trustee, Har Sinai Congregation, 1981— (and current first vice-president); president, Quarter Way House, Inc., 1977–1979; trustee, Woodbourne Center, 1967–1982; member, Board of Directors of Asthma & Allergy

Foundation of America, Maryland Chapter; member, Board of Prisoners Aid Society; former officer, Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Central Maryland, Inc.; former officer, Dismas House. Married; 3 children.

**RICHARD B. LATHAM, SR.** Sixth Judicial Circuit, 1975—. Born in Patchogue, New York, June 12, 1926. Attended Bethesda-Chevy Chase High School; University of Maryland; University of Maryland Law School, J.D., 1952. Admitted to the Maryland Bar, 1952. Served in the U.S. Army. Member, Maryland State and Montgomery County Bar Associations; American Judges Association; American Judicature Society; Maryland Bar Foundation (Board of Directors, 1980—; vice-president, 1983—). Past president, Montgomery County Bar Association; treasurer, Maryland State Bar Association, 1978–1980. Member, Ethics Commission of Montgomery County, 1967–1970; Sentencing Guidelines Project Advisory Board, 1979–1982; Conference of Circuit Court Judges, 1981—. Judge, People's Court, 1970–1971; associate judge, District Court of Maryland, 1971–1975. Married; 3 children.

**GARY G. LEASURE.** Fourth Judicial Circuit, 1983—. Born in Cumberland, July 7, 1946. Graduated from Allegany High School; Frostburg State College, B.S., 1968; University of Maryland School of Law, J.D., 1972. Admitted to the Maryland Bar, 1972. U.S. Army Reserve, 1969–1975. Member, American, Maryland State, and Allegany County Bar Associations. Frostburg City Attorney, 1975–1978; Assistant County Attorney for Allegany County, 1977–1982; County Attorney for Allegany County, 1982–1984. Married; 2 children.

**EUGENE M. LERNER.** Fifth Judicial Circuit, 1979—. Born in Annapolis, December 18, 1931. Attended Annapolis Grammar School and Annapolis High School; University of Maryland, 1948–1950; University of Baltimore, J.D., 1954. Admitted to Maryland Bar, 1954. Served in U.S. Army, 1954–1956. Member, Anne Arundel County Bar Association (president, 1976–1977; treasurer, 1962–1963); Maryland State Bar Association (Board of Governors, 1979–1980); American Bar Association; District of Columbia Bar Association; Maryland Municipal Attorneys Association (president, 1977–1979). Maryland Trial Magistrate, 1958–1959; alderman, City of Annapolis, 1961–1965; city attorney for City of Annapolis, 1969–1979; attorney for Anne Arundel County Electrical Board, 1957–1958; member, Annapolis Planning and Zoning Commission, 1961–1963. Member, Jewish War Veterans; B'nai B'rith; Amos Lodge—Masons; Trial Judges Association of Maryland; American Judicature Society. Married; 3 children.

**JACOB S. LEVIN.** Seventh Judicial Circuit, 1975—. Born in Washington, D.C., December 23, 1923. Attended American University; George Washington University, J.D., 1949. Admitted to the D.C. Bar, 1949, and the Maryland Bar, 1957. Served in the U.S. Army. Member, Maryland State, Montgomery County, and Prince George's County Bar Associations. Alumni Achievement Award, George Washington University Law School, 1975. Member, Board of Governors, Maryland State Bar Association, 1975; president, Prince George's County