

## DISTRICT COURT

### BIOGRAPHIES OF MEMBERS

**ROBERT F. SWEENEY.** Chief Judge, District Court of Maryland, 1971—. Born in Baltimore, September 17, 1926. Attended Loyola High School; Loyola College; University of Baltimore Law School, J.D., 1957. Admitted to the Maryland Bar, 1957. Served in the U.S. Navy. Member, Maryland State Bar Association (vice-president, 1969–1970). Admitted to practice, Supreme Court of the United States, 1963. Deputy attorney general of Maryland, 1966–1971; chief of the Criminal Division, Office of the Attorney General, 1964–1966; assistant attorney general of Maryland, 1961–1964; magistrate, Housing Court of Baltimore City, 1959–1961. Former instructor in law, Villa Julie College; co-founder, Advocate Club of Baltimore (president, 1960). Married; 2 children, 2 grandchildren.



**WILLIAM H. ADKINS III.** District Court, District 3, 1984—. Born in North Adams, Mass., November 10, 1947. Attended St. James School, St. James, Md.; Hartwick College, B.A., 1970; Catholic University School of Law, J.D., 1973. Admitted to the Maryland Bar, 1973. Member, American, Maryland State, and Talbot County Bar Associations. Office of the Public Defender, State of Maryland 1981. Member, Tred Avon Yacht Club. Married; 2 children.

**FRANCIS M. ARNOLD.** District Court, District 10, 1980—. Administrative Judge. Born in Westminster, June 13, 1929. Attended Westminster High School; University of Baltimore, 1959–1964; University of Baltimore Law School, J.D., 1967. Admitted to the Maryland Bar, 1967. Served in U.S. Marine Corps, 1946–1948, 1950–1951. Member, Carroll County, Maryland State, and American Bar Associations. Director of Employee Relations—American Operations, Black and Decker Manufacturing Company (employed 1952–1975). Married; 5 children.

**CARL W. BACHARACH.** District Court, District 1, 1971—. Born in Baltimore, July 27, 1921. Attended Baltimore City College; University of Maryland, B.A., 1942; University of Maryland School of Law, LL.B., 1948. Admitted to the Maryland Bar, 1947. Served in the U.S. Army, 1942–1945. Member, Maryland State Bar Association. Assistant city solicitor, Baltimore City, 1952–1956; judge, People's Court of Baltimore City, 1962–1971. Maryland House of Delegates, 1951–1962. Law lecturer. Married; 3 children.

**WILLIAM S. BALDWIN.** District Court, District 8, 1978—. Born in Hydes, February 14, 1927. Attended Towson High School; Johns Hopkins University; University of Baltimore; University of Baltimore Law School, LL.B., 1954. Admitted to the Maryland Bar, 1954. Served in the U.S. Army Reserve. Member, Maryland State and Baltimore County Bar Associations. Past president, Baltimore County Bar Association. Trial magistrate, Baltimore County, 1958–1964; member,

Baltimore County Board of Appeals, 1964–1965; chairman, Baltimore County Board of Appeals, 1965–1970; commissioner, Maryland Public Service Commission, 1971–1978. Married; 2 children.

**H. GARY BASS.** District Court, District 1, 1983—. Born in Baltimore, November 7, 1942. Attended Baltimore City College High School; Loyola College, B.S., 1964; University of Maryland School of Law, J.D., 1967. Admitted to the Maryland Bar, 1967. Member, American, Maryland State, and Baltimore City Bar Associations. Assistant State's Attorney, Baltimore City, 1970–1982. Deputy State's Attorney, Baltimore City, 1983. President, University of Maryland Law School Alumni Association, 1982. Married.

**STANLEY Y. BENNETT.** District Court, District 11, 1971—. Born in Frederick, February 11, 1935. Attended Frederick County public schools; University of Maryland; University of Baltimore, LL.B., 1959. Admitted to the Maryland Bar, 1960. Served in the Maryland National Guard. Member, Frederick County Bar Association; American Judicature Society; American Judges Association; past president, Frederick County Bar Association. Trial magistrate for Frederick County, 1960–1971. Member, Evangelical Lutheran Church; Sons of American Legion. Married; 2 children.

**A. GORDON BOONE, JR..** District Court, District 8, 1982—. Born in Baltimore, August 21, 1933. Attended Georgetown Preparatory School; University of Maryland; University of Baltimore Law School, LL.B., 1963. Served in the U.S. Air Force for four years. Member, Baltimore County Bar Association; Dissenters Law Club. Member, B.P.O.E.; Maryland Club; Advisory Board, St. Joseph Hospital. Three-term member of Democratic State Central Committee, Baltimore County. Assistant state's attorney, Baltimore County, 1963–1968; assistant public defender, 1972–1974; assistant state's attorney, Baltimore City, 1975–1982. Married.