
FEDERAL JUDGES IN MARYLAND

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FOURTH CIRCUIT

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The United States Courts of Appeals are intermediate appellate courts created in 1891 to relieve overcrowding of the U.S. Supreme Court docket. The appeals courts are empowered to review all decisions of federal district courts, certain special courts, and administrative bodies, except in those few instances where direct review by the U.S. Supreme Court is mandated. Judges of the United States Court of Appeals are appointed by the President of the United States with the advice and consent of the U.S. Senate.

The United States is divided into thirteen judicial circuits. Maryland is in the fourth circuit, which also includes Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina, and South Carolina. The United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit has twelve judges. Two judges are from Maryland, three are from Virginia, two are from West Virginia, two are from North Carolina, and three are from South Carolina. Maryland's two members of the Court maintain chambers at the Federal Courthouse in Baltimore.

U.S. COURT OF APPEALS BIOGRAPHIES OF MARYLAND JUDGES

FRANCIS D. MURNAGHAN, JR. Associate Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals, since 1979. Born in Baltimore, June 20, 1920. The Johns Hopkins University, A.B., 1941; Harvard University Law School, LL.B., 1948. Admitted to Maryland Bar, 1949. Active duty in U.S. Naval Reserve, 1942-46; inactive service as lieutenant, 1946-50. Member, American and Maryland State Bar Associations; American College of Trial Lawyers. Chairman, Baltimore City Charter Revision Commission, 1963-64. President, Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners, 1967-70. President, 1964-79, and chairman, 1979—, Walters Art Gallery; member, Board of Trustees, The Johns Hopkins University, 1976—. Author, "From Figment to Fiction to Philosophy—The Requirement of Proof of Damage in Libel Actions," 22 *Catholic University Law Review* 1 (1972).

PAUL V. NIEMEYER. Associate Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals, since 1990. Born in Princeton, New Jersey, 1941. Kenyon College, A.B., 1962; University of Notre Dame Law School, J.D., 1966. Admitted to Maryland Bar, 1966. In private practice, Piper & Marbury, 1966-88. Lecturer, advanced business law, The Johns Hopkins University, 1971-75. Member, Court of Appeals Standing Committee on Rules of Practice and Procedure, 1973-88. Member, hearing panel, Attorney Grievance Commission, 1978-81. Associate Judge, U.S. District Court, 1988-90. Co-author, *Maryland Rules Commentary*. Fellow, American College of Trial Lawyers; American Law Institute; American Bar Foundation; Maryland Bar Foundation. Recipient, Special Merit Citation, American Judicature Society, 1987.

APPOINTMENTS TO U.S. COURT OF APPEALS, 1990

PAUL V. NIEMEYER. Appointed August 7, 1990. Sworn in August 10, 1990, to replace Harrison L. Winter, who died April 10, 1990.