



*Annual Report*

*and*

*Roster of Judges*

*Sixth Circuit Judicial Conference*  
*May 13-15, 1998*  
*The Grove Park Inn*  
*Asheville, North Carolina*

*Boyce F. Martin, Jr.*  
*Chief Judge*



# *A Message From the Chief Judge*

## **OVERVIEW**

It is my great pleasure to preside over this second judges-only judicial conference for the Sixth Circuit. The first such conference, held in 1996, proved to be highly successful and popular with all of the judges of the circuit. With the assistance of the Federal Judicial Center and the hard work of the planning committee chaired by Judge Leon Jordan, we look forward to an excellent program and engaging social events that will enhance our education in the law as well as the collegiality among all levels of judges in the circuit.

As I review the state of the judiciary in the Sixth Circuit, I am pleased to note that we seem to be enjoying a period of relative stability. Two of the three vacancies on the Court of Appeals were filled last year with the appointments of Eric L. Clay of Detroit and Ronald Lee Gilman of Memphis. At the district court level, there are four vacancies as of the date of the

writing of this report, but two of the nominations for those vacancies are moving forward and should be filled soon. Needless to say, we would like to see all vacancies filled as soon as possible.

## **WORKLOAD**

The following are some of the highlights of the workload of the circuit, district and bankruptcy courts in the Sixth Circuit for the twelve-month period ending September 30, 1997.

### **Court of Appeals**

- New filings increased by .3 percent to 4,622 cases. Nationally, appellate filings increased by less than 1 percent.
- Appeals terminated rose by nearly 10 percent to 4,626. Nationally, appellate terminations increased by only 1.5 percent.

- After reaching an all-time high in 1996, prisoner appeals declined slightly in 1997. Prisoner appeals continue to account for about one-third of all appeals filed.
- The median time from filing of the notice of appeal until final disposition continued to lengthen last year, reaching a total of 14 months.

### **District Courts**

- Civil filings increased by 38 percent compared to a 1 percent national increase. Almost the entire increase occurred in the Eastern District of Michigan in connection with the breast implant litigation. The only other districts with significant increases or decreases were the Eastern District of Kentucky, which experienced an 11 percent increase in civil filings and the Western District of Tennessee, which saw an 11 percent decrease in filings.
- In addition to the large increase in personal injury cases filed in the Eastern District of Michigan, the asbestos related cases continue to be filed at record levels in the Northern District of Ohio.

- The categories of cases showing the largest percentages of increases, other than the tort cases, were contract and social security cases.
- At the district court level, prisoner petitions declined by almost 15 percent.
- Civil terminations increased by 7 percent over 1996.
- Criminal filings were virtually static in the Sixth Circuit during 1997.

### **Bankruptcy Courts**

- Total bankruptcy filings increased by 21 percent in 1997 to a record total of 164,489 cases. At the national level, total filings increased by 23 percent to 1.3 million cases.
- Each district experienced double digit increases during 1997, with the Eastern District of Michigan and the Northern District of Ohio experiencing increases of more than 26 percent.
- Bankruptcy terminations increased by 25 percent circuit-wide, however pending bankruptcy cases rose by nearly 9 percent.

# **BANKRUPTCY APPELLATE PANEL**

One of the great success stories in the Sixth Circuit during 1997 was the service provided to bench and bar by the Bankruptcy Appellate Panel (BAP).

The BAP began operations on January 1, 1997 for appeals arising from the Northern and Southern Districts of Ohio. It is one of six BAPs that have been established in the country, and it already has achieved a position of leadership in developing the policies and procedures for BAPs.

The BAP is a model of efficiency in several respects. It is staffed by only five sitting bankruptcy judges who have volunteered for BAP duty in addition to their regular dockets. Unlike several other BAPs, the Sixth Circuit BAP has no separate clerk's office or other staff. Instead, the Clerk of the Court of Appeals also serves as clerk of the BAP, and the Circuit Mediation Office provides mediation services to litigants before the BAP.

Early in its existence, the BAP determined that it could accept jurisdiction over bankruptcy appeals filed in the district court so long as the parties and the district judge consented. During 1997, 17 cases were transferred by consent, and 97 original appeals were filed with the BAP.

I am deeply indebted to the five original BAP judges for all of their work in getting the BAP organized and functioning in

1997: Hon. Thomas F. Waldron, Chief Judge of the BAP, S.D. Ohio, Hon. Randolph Baxter, N.D. Ohio, Hon. Keith M. Lundin, M.D. Tennessee, Hon. Steven W. Rhodes, E.D. Michigan, and Hon. David T. Stosberg, W.D. Kentucky.

## **CHALLENGES AHEAD**

**Death Penalty Habeas Corpus Cases.** Despite the current period of relative stability in the judiciary, we face several challenges in the coming months.

First among those challenges are the death penalty habeas corpus cases. We will continue to evaluate the potential problems and plan for the resources necessary to deal with the potential onslaught of federal habeas corpus petitions filed by defendants in capital cases. Those resources must include the judges and support staff to permit the prompt adjudication of those cases and adequate numbers of properly trained lawyers to represent the petitioners.

**GSA Funding Problems.** Although the judiciary in general enjoys a very satisfactory financial condition, due in large part to the effective work of Judge John Heyburn and the Budget Committee, the judiciary has suffered as a result of the funding cuts experienced by GSA. In each of the last two fiscal years, GSA has received no funding for prospectus level construction, which has delayed two major projects in the Sixth Circuit. Moreover, GSA has experienced a significant reduction in its rental income, which has

left it with virtually no money to fund alteration and repair projects or the renovation of space for initial occupancy by the judiciary. The judiciary has been left with no choice but to pay for some improvements that clearly should have been GSA's responsibility. The judiciary will face even more problems if these two issues are not addressed in the next budget year.

**Judicial Salaries.** The cost of living increase that took effect in January of this year, as welcome as it was, does not eliminate the necessity for continued work to insure adequate compensation for the judiciary. Accordingly, the Judicial Conference of the United States voted in March of this year to continue to seek the repeal of Section 140 of P.L. 97-92, which requires special congressional action for judicial salaries to increase. Further, the Conference announced its support for the revitalization of a federal salary-fixing entity similar to the former Commission on Executive, Legislative, & Judicial Salaries (known as the Quadrennial Commission).

## COMMITTEES AND APPOINTMENTS

**Judicial Conference of the United States.** The Sixth Circuit continues to be well represented by the many judges who serve on the committees of the Judicial Conference of the United States and other special assignments for the improvement of justice. Several judges in the Sixth Circuit serve in key administrative positions within the judiciary's Judicial

Conference committee structure. Chief District Judge Julia Smith Gibbons of the Western District of Tennessee serves as Chair of the Committee on Judicial Resources which is responsible for overseeing all issues of personnel administration, including the need for additional Article III judges and support staff, and Judge John G. Heyburn II serves as Chair of the Budget Committee of the Judicial Conference which is responsible for presenting and defending the judiciary's annual budget requests to Congress. I recently have been honored by the Chief Justice who appointed me to serve on the Executive Committee of the Judicial Conference, a seven-member committee which oversees the assignment of matters to the substantive committees, sets the agenda for the Judicial Conference sessions, and acts for the Conference in between formal sessions. The complete roster of conference members from the Sixth Circuit is as follows:

Hon. Danny J. Boggs  
Sixth Circuit  
*Committee on Automation  
and Technology*

Hon. Bernice Bouie Donald  
Western District of Tennessee  
*Advisory Committee on Bankruptcy Rules*

Hon. David D. Dowd  
Northern District of Ohio  
*Advisory Committee on Criminal Rules  
Advisory Committee on Rules of Evidence*

Hon. Robert L. Echols  
Middle District of Tennessee  
*Committee on the Judicial Branch*

Hon. R. Allan Edgar  
Eastern District of Tennessee  
*Committee on Court Administration  
and Case Management*

Hon. Nancy G. Edmunds  
Eastern District of Michigan  
*Committee on Defender Services*

Hon. Albert J. Engel  
Sixth Circuit  
*Committee on Financial Disclosure*

Hon. Julia Smith Gibbons  
Western District of Tennessee  
*Chair, Committee on Judicial Resources*

Hon. John G. Heyburn, II  
Western District of Kentucky  
*Chair, Committee on the Budget*

Hon. Douglas W. Hillman  
Western District of Michigan  
*Committee on the Administration of the  
Magistrate Judges System*

Hon. James H. Jarvis, II  
Eastern District of Tennessee  
*Committee on the Codes of Conduct*

Hon. Damon J. Keith  
Sixth Circuit  
*Committee on the Judicial Branch*

Hon. Cornelia G. Kennedy  
Sixth Circuit  
*Committee to Review Circuit Council  
Conduct and Disability Orders Rules*

Hon. Robert B. Krupansky  
Sixth Circuit  
*Committee on Financial Disclosure*

Hon. Gerald Rosen.  
Eastern District of Michigan  
*Committee on Criminal Law*

Hon. Eugene E. Siler, Jr.  
Sixth Circuit  
*Committee on State Federal Jurisdiction*

Hon. Charles R. Simpson III  
Western District of Kentucky  
*Committee on the Administration  
of the Bankruptcy System*

Hon. Richard F. Suhrheinrich  
Sixth Circuit  
*Committee on Security, Space and  
Facilities*

**Commission of Circuit Restructuring.** Judge Gilbert S. Merritt has been appointed by Chief Justice Rehnquist to serve on the Commission on Structural Alternatives for the Federal Courts of Appeals. Congress created the commission in November 1997 with the enactment of the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of 1998. The statute creating the commission was a compromise between the actions of the Senate, which had passed a bill to split the Ninth Circuit, and the House, which had approved a larger, longer-term commission. Congress has directed the commission to study the present division of the United States into several judicial circuits as well as the structure and alignment of the federal court of appeals system, with particular reference to the Ninth Circuit. The commission is required to make recommendations for “such

changes in circuit boundaries or structure as may be appropriate for the expeditious and effective disposition of the caseload of the federal courts of appeals, consistent with fundamental concepts of fairness and due process.” The commission’s report is to be submitted to the President and Congress by December 19, 1998. The other members of the commission are retired Supreme Court Justice Byron R. White, Circuit Judge Pamela Ann Rymer of the Ninth Circuit, District Judge William D. Browning of Arizona, and N. Lee Cooper, Esq., of Birmingham, Alabama, the immediate past president of the American Bar Association.

## SPECIAL AWARDS

**Devitt Award.** I know that all judges in the Sixth Circuit join me in congratulating Judge Damon J. Keith on his selection to receive the 1998 Edward J. Devitt Distinguished Service to Justice Award. The Devitt Award is named for the late Judge Edward J. Devitt and is given annually to the Article III judge who has achieved an exemplary career and has made significant contributions to the administration of justice, the advancement of the rule of law, and the improvement of society as a whole. Judge Keith is the first African American judge in the nation to receive the Devitt Award and the only judge to have been selected from the Sixth Circuit.

Judge Keith was appointed to the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of

Michigan in 1967. He served as chief judge of that court from 1975-1977. In 1977, he was appointed to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit, where he continues to serve today. During Judge Keith’s 31 years on the bench, he has served on numerous committees of the Judicial Conference and chaired the Judicial Conference Committee on the Bicentennial of the Constitution.

Judge Keith’s dedication to the cause of justice for all persons has brought him numerous awards and more than 30 honorary degrees. In 1997, Judge Keith received the American Bar Association’s Thurgood Marshall Award.

The Devitt Award, however, is perhaps the most prestigious honor that can be bestowed on a federal judge because it results from the nomination by other judges and the selection by a special committee. This award committee consisted of Associate Justice Clarence Thomas, Circuit Judge Phyllis Kravitch of the Eleventh Circuit, and District Judge Ralph G. Thompson of the Western District of Oklahoma.

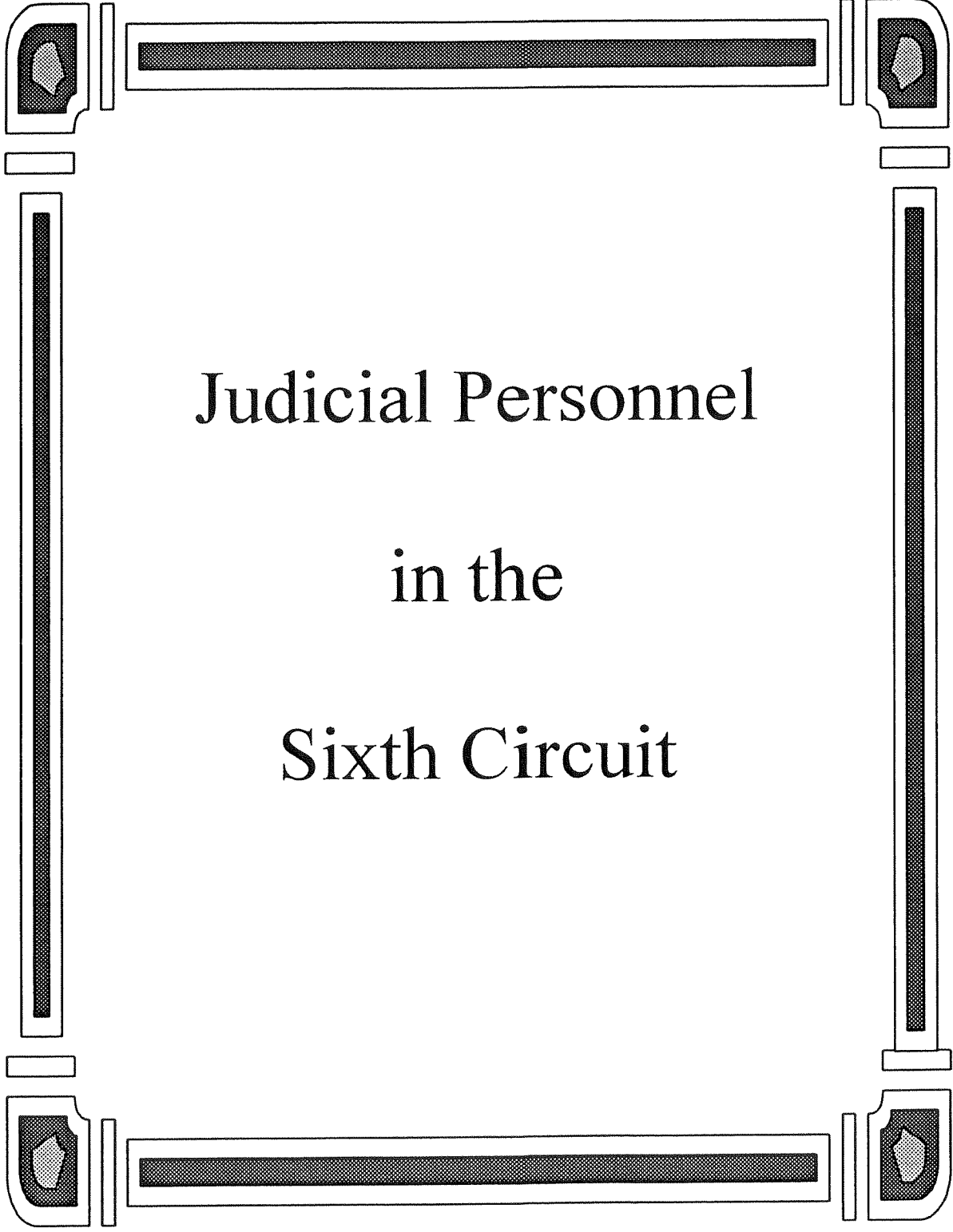
**Director’s Award.** I am very pleased that a key staff person from our circuit again has been selected to receive the 1998 Administrative Office Director’s Award for Outstanding Leadership. Lloyd (Sonny) Ray, Clerk of the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Middle District of Tennessee, has been chosen to receive this prestigious award, which will be presented to him by Ralph Mecham at our conference. Mr. Ray and his fine staff were of great help to

the Court of Appeals in connection with a special session which was held in Nashville in 1996 as well as with the Sixth Circuit Judicial Conference which was held in Nashville last year.

## **CONCLUSION**

In conclusion, I want to thank each of you for your continued support, dedicated work and good will during the past year. We can take justifiable pride in our many accomplishments as we renew our commitment to making the Sixth Circuit the most outstanding circuit in the country.





Judicial Personnel  
in the  
Sixth Circuit

## *Judicial Personnel in the Sixth Circuit*

### *Deaths*

*Paul C. Weick.* The Honorable Paul C. Weick, Senior Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit died on May 22, 1997 at the age of 97. Judge Weick was appointed to the United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio in 1956 by President Eisenhower, and was appointed to the Sixth Circuit on September 10, 1959. Judge Weick served as Chief Judge of the Sixth Circuit from November 21, 1963 to August 25, 1969. Judge Weick assumed senior status on December 31, 1981, and retired from the bench on April 30, 1989.

*L. Clure Morton.* The Honorable L. Clure Morton, Senior Judge of the United States District Court for the Middle District of Tennessee, died on April 11, 1998 at the age of 82. Judge Morton was appointed to the District Court on October 26, 1970. He served as Chief Judge of the District from July 15, 1977 until July 31, 1984 when he assumed senior status. He continued to render valuable service to the District Court until his retirement on August 1, 1996.

### *Senior Status*

#### *United States District Court*

*Barbara K. Hackett.* The Honorable Barbara K. Hackett, United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan, assumed senior status on April 8, 1997. Judge Hackett was appointed United States District Judge on April 7, 1986. Prior to her appointment to the District Court, Judge Hackett was in private practice. She served as United States Magistrate Judge in the Eastern District of Michigan from 1973 until 1984. Judge Hackett continues to render valuable service to the District Court.

### *Elevations*

*Richard L. Speer.* The Honorable Richard L. Speer became Chief Bankruptcy Judge for the Northern District of Ohio on July 1, 1997 succeeding Judge James H. Williams. Judge Speer was initially appointed bankruptcy judge on September 2, 1975. He was appointed to his current term on October 1, 1986. Prior to his appointment, Judge Speer was in private practice.

*James D. Gregg.* The Honorable James D. Gregg became Chief Judge of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of Michigan on March 4, 1998 succeeding Judge Laurence E. Howard. Judge Gregg was appointed bankruptcy judge on June 1, 1987 and is presently serving a fourteen year term. Prior to his appointment as bankruptcy judge, Judge Gregg was in private practice in Grand Rapids.

*William S. Howard.* The Honorable William S. Howard became Chief Judge of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky on October 1, 1997 succeeding Judge Joe Lee. Judge Howard was appointed bankruptcy judge on March 19, 1990 and is presently serving a fourteen year term. Prior to his appointment as bankruptcy judge, Judge Howard was in private practice.

### *Retirements*

*Joe Lee.* The Honorable Joe Lee retired on September 30, 1997 as United States Bankruptcy Judge for the Eastern District of Kentucky. Judge Lee was initially appointed bankruptcy judge on September 1, 1961; and at the time of his retirement, he was serving a fourteen year

term to which he was appointed on October 1, 1986. Judge Lee served as Chief Judge of the Bankruptcy Court from 1984 until his retirement. He continues to serve the Eastern District of Kentucky as a recalled judge.

*Paul J. Komives.* The Honorable Paul J. Komives, United States Magistrate Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan, retired on July 12, 1997. He was appointed United States Magistrate Judge on February 11, 1971 and was serving his fourth eight-year term at the time of his retirement. Judge Komives continues to render valuable service to the District as a recalled magistrate judge.

*John M. Dixon, Jr.* The Honorable John M. Dixon, Jr. retired on March 31, 1998. Judge Dixon was appointed United States Magistrate Judge for the Western District of Kentucky in 1971 and for the Middle District of Tennessee in 1974. These were part-time appointments. On March 10, 1992, Judge Dixon was appointed to a new full-time magistrate judge position in the Western District of Kentucky at Bowling Green. Prior to his appointment to the full-time position, Judge Dixon, in addition to his part-time magistrate duties, was in private practice.

## *Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals*

*Eric L. Clay.* The Honorable Eric L. Clay was appointed Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit on August 1, 1997. Judge Clay was appointed to fill the vacancy created by the assumption of senior status by United States Circuit Judge Ralph B. Guy, Jr. Prior to his appointment to the Sixth Circuit, Judge Clay was in private practice with the Detroit firm of Lewis, Clay & Munday where he was in charge of the litigation department. Following his graduation from law school, Judge Clay clerked for Circuit Judge Damon J. Keith who was then a Judge of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan.

*Ronald L. Gilman.* The Honorable Ronald L. Gilman was sworn in as a Judge on the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit on November 21, 1997. Judge Gilman was appointed to fill the vacancy created by the assumption of senior status by United States Circuit Judge H. Ted Milburn. Prior to his appointment to the Sixth Circuit, he was a partner in the law firm of Farris, Matthews, Gilman, Branan and Hellen in Memphis, Tennessee. Judge Gilman is also a past president of both the Memphis and Tennessee Bar Associations.

## *United States District Courts*

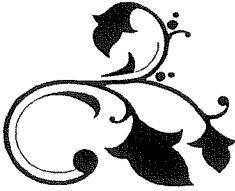
*James S. Gwin.* The Honorable James S. Gwin was appointed United States District Judge for the Northern District of Ohio at Akron on November 7, 1997. This position was formerly held by United States District Judge Sam H. Bell. Prior to his appointment to the Court, Judge Gwin was a Judge of the Court of Common Pleas for Stark County, Ohio from April 1989 until his recent appointment.

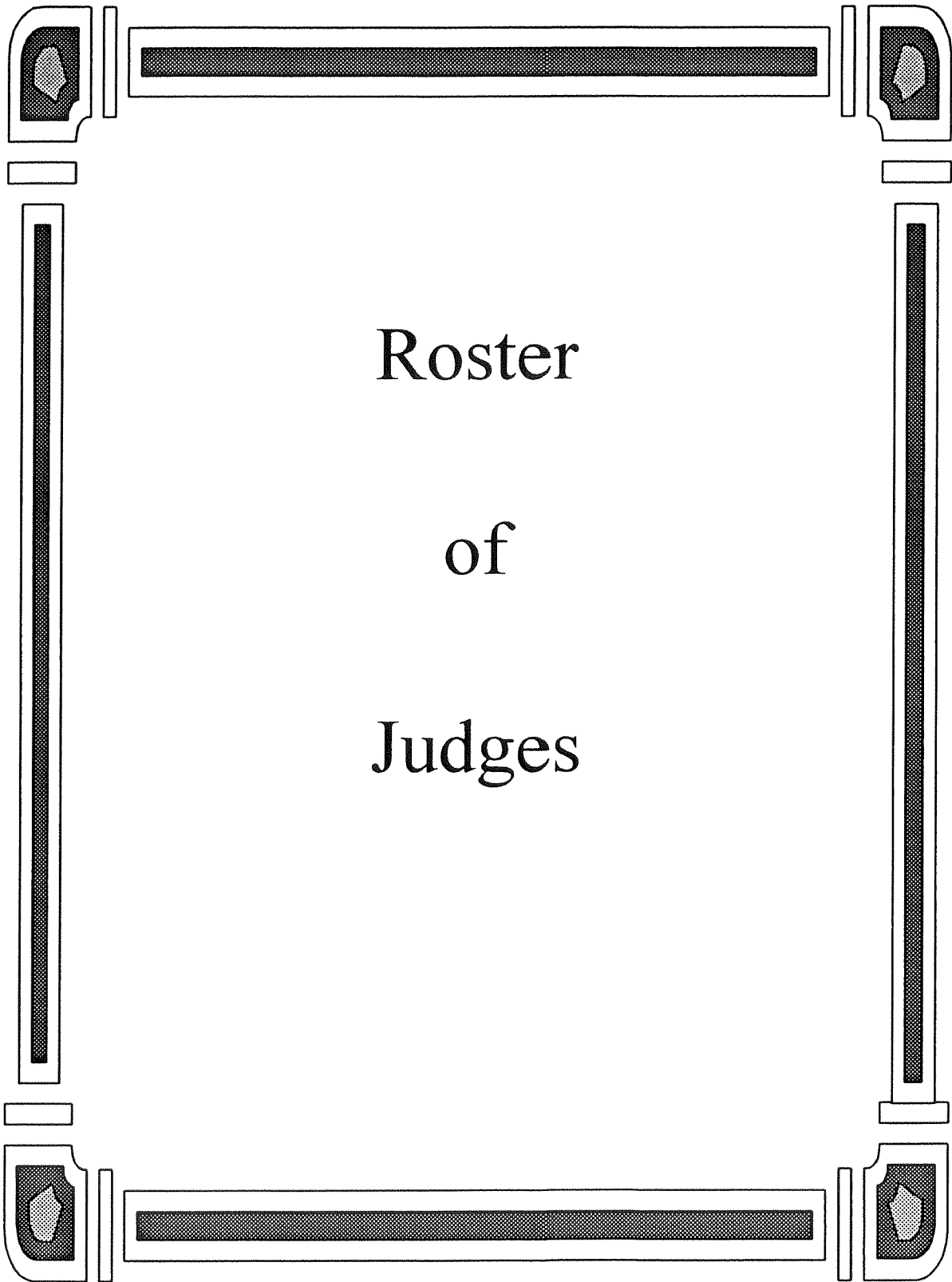
*Algenon L. Marbley.* The Honorable Algenon L. Marbley was appointed United States District Judge for the Southern District of Ohio at Columbus on November 11, 1997. The position was formerly held by United States District Judge John D. Holschuh. Prior to his appointment to the Court, Judge Marbley was a partner at Vorys, Sater, Seymour and Pease where he specialized in commercial litigation, product liability and employment litigation.

## *United States Magistrate Judge*

*Nancy A. Vecchiarelli.* The Honorable Nancy A. Vecchiarelli was appointed United States Magistrate Judge for the Northern District of Ohio at Cleveland on April 20, 1998. She was appointed to fill the vacancy created by the retirement of United States Magistrate Judge Joseph W. Bartunek on February 16,

1997. Prior to her appointment, Ms. Vecchiarelli was an Assistant United States Attorney for the Northern District of Ohio and served as Computer Crimes Coordinator and Violent Crimes Coordinator for that office.





Roster

of

Judges

## *United States Supreme Court*

### *Circuit Justice*

Honorable John Paul Stevens, Washington, D.C.

## *United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit*

### *United States Circuit Judges*

Honorable Boyce F. Martin, Jr., Chief Judge, Louisville, Kentucky

Honorable Gilbert S. Merritt, Nashville, Tennessee

Honorable Cornelia G. Kennedy, Detroit, Michigan

Honorable David A. Nelson, Cincinnati, Ohio

Honorable James L. Ryan, Detroit, Michigan

Honorable Danny J. Boggs, Louisville, Kentucky

Honorable Alan E. Norris, Columbus, Ohio

Honorable Richard F. Suhrheinrich, Lansing, Michigan

Honorable Eugene E. Siler, Jr., London, Kentucky

Honorable Alice M. Batchelder, Medina, Ohio

Honorable Martha Craig Daughtrey, Nashville, Tennessee

Honorable Karen Nelson Moore, Cleveland, Ohio

Honorable R. Guy Cole, Jr., Columbus, Ohio

Honorable Eric L. Clay, Detroit, Michigan

Honorable Ronald Lee Gilman, Memphis, Tennessee

### *Senior United States Circuit Judges*

Honorable Anthony J. Celebrezze, Cleveland, Ohio

Honorable Pierce Lively, Danville, Kentucky

Honorable Albert J. Engel, Grand Rapids, Michigan

Honorable Damon J. Keith, Detroit, Michigan

Honorable Bailey Brown, Memphis, Tennessee

Honorable Nathaniel R. Jones, Cincinnati, Ohio

Honorable Leroy J. Contie, Jr., Akron, Ohio

Honorable Robert B. Krupansky, Cleveland, Ohio

Honorable Harry W. Wellford, Memphis, Tennessee

Honorable Ralph B. Guy, Jr., Ann Arbor, Michigan

***United States District Court  
Eastern District of Kentucky***

Honorable William O. Bertelsman, Chief Judge, Covington  
Honorable Henry R. Wilhoit, Jr., Ashland  
Honorable Karl S. Forester, Lexington  
Honorable Joseph M. Hood, Frankfort  
Honorable Jennifer B. Coffman, London

***Senior United States District Judge***

Honorable G. Wix Unthank, London

***United States Bankruptcy Judge***

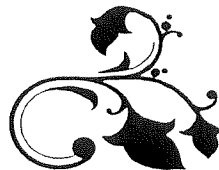
Honorable William S. Howard, Chief Judge, Lexington

***United States Bankruptcy Judge Retired***

Honorable Joe Lee, Lexington

***United States Magistrate Judges***

Honorable J. B. Johnson, Jr., London  
Honorable Peggy E. Patterson, Ashland  
Honorable James Black Todd, Lexington  
Honorable J. Gregory Wehrman, Covington





***United States District Court  
Western District of Kentucky***

***United States District Judges***

Honorable Charles R. Simpson, III, Chief Judge, Louisville  
Honorable John G. Heyburn, II, Louisville  
Honorable Thomas B. Russell, Paducah  
Honorable Joseph H. McKinley, Jr., Owensboro

***Senior United States District Judges***

Honorable Charles M. Allen, Louisville  
Honorable Edward H. Johnstone, Paducah

***United States Bankruptcy Judges***

Honorable Henry H. Dickinson, Chief Judge, Louisville  
Honorable J. Wendell Roberts, Louisville  
Honorable David T. Stosberg, Louisville

***United States Magistrate Judges***

Honorable C. Cleveland Gambill, Louisville  
Honorable W. David King, Paducah  
Honorable James D. Moyer, Louisville



***United States District Court  
Eastern District of Michigan***

***United States District Judges***

Honorable Anna Diggs Taylor, Chief Judge, Detroit  
Honorable Avern Cohn, Detroit  
Honorable Lawrence P. Zatkoff, Detroit  
Honorable Patrick J. Duggan, Detroit  
Honorable Bernard A. Friedman, Detroit  
Honorable Paul V. Gadola, Flint  
Honorable Gerald E. Rosen, Detroit  
Honorable Robert H. Cleland, Bay City  
Honorable Nancy G. Edmunds, Detroit  
Honorable Denise Page Hood, Detroit  
Honorable Paul D. Borman, Detroit  
Honorable John Corbett O'Meara, Detroit

***Senior United States District Judges***

Honorable John Feikens, Detroit  
Honorable Robert E. DeMascio, Port Huron  
Honorable Charles W. Joiner, Ann Arbor  
Honorable James Harvey, Port Huron  
Honorable James P. Churchill, Bay City  
Honorable Julian Abele Cook, Jr., Detroit  
Honorable Stewart A. Newblatt, Flint  
Honorable Horace W. Gilmore, Detroit  
Honorable George E. Woods, Detroit  
Honorable Barbara K. Hackett, Ann Arbor

***United States Bankruptcy Judges***

Honorable Steven W. Rhodes, Chief Judge, Detroit  
Honorable Ray Reynolds Graves, Detroit  
Honorable Arthur J. Spector, Bay City  
Honorable Walter Shapero, Detroit

***United States Magistrate Judges***

Honorable Charles E. Binder, Bay City  
Honorable Thomas A. Carlson, Detroit  
Honorable Marc L. Goldman, Flint  
Honorable Virginia M. Morgan, Detroit  
Honorable Steven D. Pepe, Ann Arbor  
Honorable Donald A. Scheer, Detroit

***United States Magistrate Judges Retired***

Honorable Lynn V. Hooe, Jr., Detroit  
Honorable Paul J. Komives, Detroit



***United States District Court  
Western District of Michigan***

***United States District Judges***

Honorable Richard A. Enslen, Chief Judge, Kalamazoo  
Honorable Robert Holmes Bell, Grand Rapids  
Honorable David W. McKeague, Lansing  
Honorable Gordon J. Quist, Grand Rapids

***Senior United States District Judges***

Honorable Wendell A. Miles, Grand Rapids  
Honorable Douglas W. Hillman, Grand Rapids  
Honorable Benjamin F. Gibson, Grand Rapids

***United States Bankruptcy Judges***

Honorable James D. Gregg, Chief Judge, Grand Rapids  
Honorable Laurence E. Howard, Grand Rapids  
Honorable Jo Ann C. Stevenson, Grand Rapids

***United States Magistrate Judges***

Honorable Hugh W. Brenneman, Jr., Grand Rapids  
Honorable Timothy P. Greeley, Marquette  
Honorable Doyle A. Rowland, Kalamazoo  
Honorable Joseph G. Scoville, Grand Rapids



***United States District Court  
Northern District of Ohio***

***United States District Judges***

Honorable George W. White, Chief Judge, Cleveland  
Honorable Paul R. Matia, Cleveland  
Honorable Lesley Brooks Wells, Cleveland  
Honorable James G. Carr, Toledo  
Honorable Solomon Oliver, Jr., Cleveland  
Honorable David A. Katz, Toledo  
Honorable Kathleen M. O'Malley, Cleveland  
Honorable Peter C. Economus, Youngstown  
Honorable Donald C. Nugent, Cleveland  
Honorable Patricia A. Gaughan, Cleveland  
Honorable James S. Gwin, Akron

***Senior United States District Judges***

Honorable William K. Thomas, Cleveland  
Honorable John M. Manos, Cleveland  
Honorable Ann Aldrich, Cleveland  
Honorable John W. Potter, Toledo  
Honorable David D. Dowd, Jr., Akron  
Honorable Sam H. Bell, Akron

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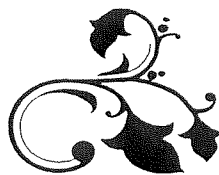
Honorable Richard L. Speer, Chief Judge, Toledo  
Honorable James H. Williams, Canton  
Honorable William T. Bodoh, Youngstown  
Honorable Randolph Baxter, Cleveland  
Honorable David F. Snow, Cleveland  
Honorable Marilyn Shea-Stonum, Akron  
Honorable Pat E. Morgenstern-Clarren, Cleveland

***United States Bankruptcy Judge Retired***

Honorable Harold F. White, Akron

***United States Magistrate Judges***

Honorable Vernelis K. Armstrong, Toledo  
Honorable James S. Gallas, Akron  
Honorable Patricia A. Hemann, Cleveland  
Honorable David S. Perelman, Cleveland  
Honorable Jack B. Streepy, Cleveland  
Honorable James D. Thomas, Youngstown



***United States District Court  
Southern District of Ohio***

Honorable Walter H. Rice, Chief Judge, Dayton  
Honorable Herman J. Weber, Cincinnati  
Honorable James L. Graham, Columbus  
Honorable George C. Smith, Columbus  
Honorable Sandra S. Beckwith, Cincinnati  
Honorable Susan J. Dlott, Cincinnati  
Honorable Edmund A. Sargus, Jr., Columbus  
Honorable Algenon L. Marbley, Columbus

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Honorable Joseph P. Kinneary, Columbus  
Honorable S. Arthur Spiegel, Cincinnati  
Honorable John D. Holschuh, Columbus

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Honorable Donald E. Calhoun, Jr., Columbus  
Honorable Thomas F. Waldron, Dayton  
Honorable Barbara J. Sellers, Columbus  
Honorable J. Vincent Aug, Jr., Cincinnati  
Honorable Charles M. Caldwell, Columbus  
Honorable Jeffery P. Hopkins, Cincinnati

***United States Bankruptcy Judge Retired***

Honorable Burton Perlman, Cincinnati

***United States Magistrate Judges***

Honorable Mark R. Abel, Columbus  
Honorable Timothy S. Hogan, Cincinnati  
Honorable Terence P. Kemp, Columbus  
Honorable Norah McCann King, Columbus  
Honorable Michael R. Merz, Dayton  
Honorable Jack Sherman, Jr., Cincinnati



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Eastern District of Tennessee***

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Honorable James H. Jarvis, II, Chief Judge, Knoxville  
Honorable Thomas G. Hull, Greeneville  
Honorable R. Allan Edgar, Chattanooga  
Honorable Leon Jordan, Knoxville  
Honorable Curtis L. Collier, Chattanooga

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Honorable Richard S. Stair, Jr., Chief Judge, Knoxville  
Honorable John C. Cook, Chattanooga  
Honorable Marcia P. Parsons, Greeneville  
Honorable R. Thomas Stinnett, Chattanooga

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Honorable Ralph H. Kelley, Chattanooga

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Honorable Dennis H. Inman, Greeneville  
Honorable Robert P. Murrian, Knoxville  
Honorable Thomas W. Phillips, Knoxville  
Honorable John Y. Powers, Chattanooga



***United States District Court  
Middle District of Tennessee***

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Honorable John T. Nixon, Chief Judge, Nashville  
Honorable Thomas A. Higgins, Nashville  
Honorable Robert L. Echols, Nashville  
Honorable Todd J. Campbell, Nashville

***Senior United States District Judge***

Honorable Thomas A. Wiseman, Jr., Nashville

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Honorable George C. Paine, II, Chief Judge, Nashville  
Honorable Keith M. Lundin, Nashville  
Honorable Aleta A. Trauger, Nashville

***United States Magistrate Judges***

Honorable Juliet E. Griffin, Nashville  
Honorable William J. Haynes, Jr., Nashville



***United States District Court  
Western District of Tennessee***

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Honorable Julia Smith Gibbons, Chief Judge, Memphis  
Honorable James D. Todd, Jackson  
Honorable Jerome Turner, Memphis  
Honorable Jon Phipps McCalla, Memphis  
Honorable Bernice B. Donald, Memphis

***Senior United States District Judges***

Honorable Robert M. McRae, Memphis  
Honorable Odell Horton, Memphis

***United States Bankruptcy Judges***

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Honorable William H. Brown, Memphis  
Honorable G. Harvey Boswell, Jackson  
Honorable Jennie D. Latta, Memphis

***United States Magistrate Judges***

Honorable James H. Allen, Sr., Memphis  
Honorable J. Daniel Breen, Jackson  
Honorable Diane K. Vescovo, Memphis





In Memoriam

*Honorable Paul C. Weick*

**MEMORIAL RESOLUTION  
FOR  
PAUL C. WEICK  
UNITED STATES CIRCUIT JUDGE  
SIXTH CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS**

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Judge Paul C. Weick was born on August 25, 1899, and died on May 23, 1997. He was appointed United States District Judge in 1956 and in 1959 was appointed to the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals, where he served for 22 years. He was a native of Youngstown, Ohio, and served in the Army Student's Training Corps in World War I. On the termination of the war, he secured his legal education at the University of Cincinnati Law School. He completed his legal education at the age of 20, and he had to delay taking the Ohio Bar exam inasmuch as he had not attained the age of 21. After being admitted to practice law, he practiced in Youngstown, Ohio, and subsequently moved to Akron, Ohio.

During World War II, he served as counsel for the Civil Defense Organization in Akron, Ohio, and chaired the Selective Service Board. He was President of the Akron Bar Association and President of the Ohio State Bar Association. He served as a member of the Board of Bar Examiners for the State of Ohio from 1946 to 1950.

He was married to Hilda Richard from 1929 until her death in 1960, and he was married to Nelle Edwards from 1962 until her death in 1992. He had one son, Paul A. Weick of Silver Lake, Ohio, four grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren.

Judge Weick was truly a legal scholar. He was an individual of undaunted courage; a judge of impeccable values; and a man of abundant wisdom. Honesty and integrity were his guidelines. Respected as a no-nonsense judge, he was a man of sterling principles and was possessed of an inner goodness. He approached complex problems with a wealth of legal knowledge, tempered by an uncommon amount of common sense. His written opinions were cogent, direct and thoroughly analytical.

Even though he was short in stature, he walked tall in the path of federal jurisprudence. His scholarly talents were infused with a deep sense of legal wisdom. No legal problem was too great for his skills. No legal problem was too small for his time and attention. Sincerity, love of the law, and a strong desire to strengthen the foundation of the judicial process were high on his agenda. He was always methodical in his analysis. Compassion was part of his makeup and was infused in his inner soul. He was quoted on many occasions as saying, "in our changing times, a strong scholarly bench is a critical element in the democratic process of our government." He is credited with leaving a lasting impact on the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Fifty-eighth Judicial Conference of the Sixth Circuit in session at Asheville, North Carolina, this 13th day of May, 1998 pays tribute and appreciation to the memory of Judge Paul C. Weick who served this nation and this circuit faithfully and well.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be preserved upon the records of this Conference and that copies be furnished to the family as a mark of sympathy and esteem.

Respectfully submitted,

Leroy J. Contie, Senior Judge

David A. Nelson, Circuit Judge

Alan E. Norris, Circuit Judge

