

**UNITED STATES TAX COURT
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20217**

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PRESS RELEASE

Chief Judge John O. Colvin announced that David Gustafson, of Arlington, Virginia, took the oath of office on July 29, 2008, as a Judge of the United States Tax Court, and his formal investiture was held Monday, August 4, 2008. Judge Gustafson was appointed by President Bush to the Tax Court for a 15-year term to succeed Judge Carolyn P. Chiechi who assumed senior status.

For the 24 years prior to his appointment, Judge Gustafson had been an attorney in the Court of Federal Claims Section of the Tax Division in the Department of Justice, first as a trial attorney, then as an Assistant Chief, and then as Chief of the Section.

Judge Gustafson received a Bachelor of Arts degree *summa cum laude* from Bob Jones University in Greenville, South Carolina, and a Juris Doctor degree with distinction from Duke University School of Law in Durham, North Carolina.

Judge Gustafson is a native of Greenville, South Carolina, and is married to Sharon Fast Gustafson. They have nine children and two grandchildren.