



Robert John Torres, Jr. Justice, Supreme Court of Guam

The Honorable Robert J. Torres, Jr. was sworn in as a Justice of the Supreme Court of Guam on January 16, 2004. He served as Chief Justice of Guam from January 15, 2008 to January 18, 2011 and was recently named Chief Justice *Emeritus* by the Judicial Council of Guam. His Honor is also a designated District Court Judge for the U.S. District Court of Guam and Justice Pro Tempore for the Supreme Court of the

Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas Islands.

Justice Torres received his B.B.A. from University of Notre Dame in 1980 in Accounting (Magna Cum Laude; Beta Gamma Sigma; Beta Alpha Psi) and a J.D. from Harvard Law School in 1985. Justice Torres was also awarded a Doctor of Laws (LL.D.) *Honoris Causa* from the University of Cebu in the Philippines. While in private law practice, Justice Torres was elected Chairman of the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals Lawyer Representative Coordinating Committee and served three consecutive terms as President of the Guam Bar Association.

He was Guam's first delegate to the American Bar Association House of Delegates, is a member of the prestigious FIFA Ethics Committee and was elected a Science and Technology Fellow by the Advanced Science and Technology Adjudication Resource Center in Washington, D.C. Most recently Justice Torres was asked to be the first distinguished speaker for the Supreme Court of the Philippines and the Philippine Judicial Academy Chief Justice Renato C. Corona's Distinguished Lecture Series. He has also lectured and given presentations to judges, attorneys, court officials, and court personnel throughout the U.S., Micronesia, Australia, and Asia.

His Honor has served as the President of the 19th Pacific Region Judicial Conference and as second Vice President and member of the Board of Directors for the Conference of Chief Justices, a forum comprising the highest judicial officers of the United States, its commonwealths, and its territories. He is the immediate past Chairman of the Judicial Council of Guam and Chairman of the Educational Committee for the Pacific Judicial Council.

Justice Torres is married to Mary Camacho and has three children – Vanessa, Carla, and Pele, and six grandchildren – Bobby, Olivia, Carlos Manuel, Francisco, Elena and Carlos.

