

**UNITED STATES CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS  
FOR THE SEVENTH CIRCUIT  
Opened June 16, 1891**

**Act Creating United States Circuit Court of Appeals  
Approved March 3, 1891, for 3 Judges, 26 Stat. 826**

1. **GRESHAM, Honorable Walter Quinton**(Indiana)  
Appointed by President Arthur  
Born near Lanesville, Indiana, on March 17, 1832  
Commissioned District Judge, Indiana, 1869; served until April 1882  
Commissioned Circuit Judge for District of Indiana to fill vacancy occasioned  
by death of Thomas Drummond, October 29, 1884. (Recess  
appointment)  
Oath of office on October 30, 1884  
Permanent Commission as Circuit Judge on December 9, 1884  
Oath of office on December 26, 1884  
First appeared in C.C.A. 7th on September 12, 1891  
Resigned on March 3, 1893  
Appointed United States Secretary of State on March 6, 1893  
Died on May 28, 1895
  
2. **WOODS, Honorable William Allen** (Indiana)  
Appointed by President Harrison  
Born in Marshall County, Tennessee, on May 16, 1837  
Judge, Indiana Supreme Court, from 1880 to 1883  
Commissioned District Judge, Indiana, on May 8, 1883  
Commissioned Circuit Judge on March 17, 1892  
Oath of Office on March 21, 1892  
Died on June 29, 1901
  
3. **JENKINS, Honorable James Graham** (Wisconsin)  
Appointed by President Cleveland  
Born in Saratoga Springs, New York, on July 18, 1834  
Commissioned District Judge, Eastern Wisconsin, on January 13, 1891  
Commissioned Circuit Judge on March 23, 1893  
Oath of office as Circuit Judge on April 1, 1893  
Served as Presiding Judge from 1901 through 1905  
Resigned on February 23, 1905  
Died on August 6, 1921

4. **SHOWALTER, Honorable John W.** (Illinois)  
Appointed by President Cleveland  
Born in Mason County, Kentucky, on February 8, 1844  
Commissioned Circuit Judge on March 1, 1895  
Oath of office on March 30, 1895  
Died on December 10, 1898
  
5. **GROSSCUP, Honorable Peter Stenger** (Illinois)  
Appointed by President Cleveland  
Succeeded Judge Showalter  
Born in Ashland, Ohio, on February 15, 1852  
Commissioned District Judge, Northern Illinois, on December 20, 1892  
Commissioned Circuit Judge on January 23, 1899  
Oath of office on February 1, 1899  
Resigned on October 23, 1911  
Died on October 1, 1921
  
6. **BAKER, Honorable Francis Elisha** (Indiana)  
Appointed by President Theodore Roosevelt  
Succeeded Judge Woods  
Born in Goshen, Indiana, on October 20, 1860  
Justice, Supreme Court, Indiana, 1899 to 1902  
Commissioned Circuit Judge on January 21, 1902  
Oath of office on February 4, 1902  
Died on March 15, 1924

**March 3, 1905, from 3 to 4 Judges - 33 Stat. Ch. 1427, p. 922**

7. **KOHLSAAT, Honorable Christian Cecil** (Illinois)  
Appointed by President Theodore Roosevelt  
Appointed as **Fourth** Judge  
Born in Edwards County, Illinois, on January 8, 1844  
Commissioned District Judge, Northern Illinois, on February 28, 1899  
Commissioned Circuit Judge on March 18, 1905  
Oath of office on March 24, 1905  
Died on May 11, 1918
  
8. **SEAMAN, Honorable William H.** (Wisconsin)  
Appointed by President Theodore Roosevelt  
Succeeded Judge Jenkins  
Born in New Berlin, Wisconsin, on November 15, 1842  
Commissioned District Judge, Eastern Wisconsin, on March 27, 1893  
Commissioned Circuit Judge on March 1, 1905  
Oath of office on April 11, 1905  
Died on March 8, 1915

9. **MACK, Honorable Julian W.**  
Appointed by President William H. Taft on December 12, 1910  
Born in San Francisco, California on July 19, 1866  
Commissioned Commerce Court Judge, to a new seat created by 36 Stat. 539, on  
January 31, 1911. Service terminated due to abolition of the court on  
December 13, 1913  
Commissioned Seventh Circuit Judge, to a new seat created by 36 Stat. 539, on  
January 31, 1911. Service terminated due to assignment to another court  
on June 30, 1929  
Reassigned Sixth Circuit Judge on July 1, 1929  
Reassigned Second Circuit Judge on July 1, 1929  
Assumed Senior Status on September 6, 1940  
Died on September 5, 1943
  
10. **ALSCHULER, Honorable Samuel** (Illinois)  
Appointed by President Wilson  
Succeeded Judge Grosscup  
Born in Chicago, Illinois, on November 20, 1859  
Member, U.S. House of Representatives (Illinois), from 1896 to 1900  
Recess Commission as Circuit Judge on August 16, 1915  
Oath of office, Recess appointment on October 5, 1915  
Appointment confirmed on January 18, 1916  
Oath of office on January 31, 1916  
Relinquished duties as Senior Circuit Judge on December 1, 1934  
Retired (Act of February 25, 1919) on May 15, 1936  
Died on November 9, 1939
  
11. **EVANS, Honorable Evan A.** (Wisconsin)  
Appointed by President Wilson  
Succeeded Judge Seaman  
Born in Spring Green, Wisconsin, on March 19, 1876  
Commissioned Circuit Judge on May 10, 1916  
Oath of office on May 17, 1916  
Relinquished duties as Senior Circuit Judge on July 2, 1948  
Died on July 7, 1948
  
12. **PAGE, Honorable George True** (Illinois)  
Appointed by President Wilson  
Succeeded Judge Kohlsaat  
Born in Spring Bay, Illinois, on September 22, 1859  
Commissioned Circuit Judge on March 1, 1919  
Oath of office on March 27, 1919  
Retired (Act of February 25, 1919) on October 1, 1930  
Died on November 4, 1941

13. **ANDERSON, Honorable Albert Barnes** (Indiana)
  - Appointed by President Coolidge
  - Succeeded Judge Baker
  - Born near Zionville, Indiana, on February 10, 1857
  - Commissioned District Judge, Indiana, on December 8, 1908
  - Commissioned Circuit Judge on January 6, 1925
    - Oath of office on January 13, 1925
  - Retired (Act of February 25, 1919) on October 31, 1929
  - Died on April 27, 1938
  
14. **SPARKS, Honorable William Morris** (Indiana)
  - Appointed by President Hoover
  - Succeeded Judge Anderson
  - Born in Charlottesville, Indiana, on April 28, 1872
  - Member, U.S. House of Representatives (Indiana), from 1901 to 1903
  - Judge, 16<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit of Indiana, from 1904 to 1910 and from 1914 to 1929
  - Commissioned Circuit Judge on October 31, 1929
    - Oath of office on November 6, 1929
  - Became Presiding Judge on July 8, 1948
  - Relinquished duties as Chief Judge on November 17, 1948
  - Retired on November 13, 1948
  - Died on January 7, 1950
  
15. **FITZ HENRY, Honorable Louis** (Illinois)
  - Appointed by President Franklin D. Roosevelt
  - Succeeded Judge Page
  - Born in Bloomington, Illinois, on January 13, 1870
  - Member, U.S. House of Representatives (Illinois), from 1913 to 1915
  - Commissioned District Judge, Southern Illinois, on July 6, 1918
  - Commissioned Circuit Judge on June 16, 1933
    - Oath of office on October 3, 1933
  - Died on November 18, 1935

16. **MAJOR, Honorable J. Earl** (Illinois)  
Appointed by President Franklin D. Roosevelt  
Succeeded Judge FitzHenry  
Born in Donnellson, Illinois, on January 5, 1887  
State's Attorney, Montgomery County, Illinois, from 1912-1920  
Member, U.S. House of Representatives (Illinois), from  
March 4, 1923 to March 3, 1925  
March 4, 1927 to March 3, 1929 and  
March 4, 1931 to October 6, 1933 (Resigned)  
Commissioned District Judge, Southern Illinois, on June 17, 1933  
Commissioned Circuit Judge on March 23, 1937  
Oath of office on April 6, 1937  
Designated Chief Judge on November 17, 1948, in lieu of Judge Sparks  
On his own request, relieved of duties as Chief Judge of Seventh Circuit  
June 15, 1954, effective as of September 1, 1954  
Retired (assumed Senior Status) on March 23, 1956  
Died on January 4, 1972
17. **TREANOR, Honorable Walter Emanuel** (Indiana)  
Appointed by President Franklin D. Roosevelt  
Succeeded Judge Alschuler  
Born in Loogootee, Indiana, on November 17, 1883  
Justice, Supreme Court, Indiana, from January 4, 1931, to January 4, 1938  
Commissioned Circuit Judge on December 27, 1937  
Oath of office on January 11, 1938  
Died on April 26, 1941

**May 31, 1938, from 4 to 5 Judges - 52 Stat. Ch. 202, p. 584**

18. **KERNER, SR., Honorable Otto** (Illinois)  
Appointed by President Franklin D. Roosevelt  
Appointed as **Fifth** Judge  
Born in Chicago, Illinois, on February 22, 1884  
Judge, Cook County Circuit Court, from 1927 to 1931  
Judge, Appellate Court, from 1931 to 1932  
State Attorney General, Illinois, from 1932 to 1938  
Commissioned Circuit Judge (Recess) on November 21, 1938  
Oath of office on November 23, 1938  
Permanent Commission on February 9, 1939  
Oath of office on February 13, 1939  
Died on December 13, 1952

19. **MINTON, Honorable Sherman** (Indiana)
  - Appointed by President Franklin D. Roosevelt
  - Succeeded Judge Treanor
  - Born in Georgetown, Indiana, on October 20, 1890
  - United States Senator (Indiana) from January 3, 1935, to January 3, 1941
  - Commissioned Circuit Judge on May 7, 1941
    - Oath of office May 29, 1941
  - Appointed to the Supreme Court of the United States on October 5, 1949
    - Oath of office - Supreme Court - October 12, 1949
  - Retired from the Supreme Court of the United States on October 15, 1956
  - Died on April 9, 1965
  
20. **DUFFY, Honorable F. Ryan** (Wisconsin)
  - Appointed by President Truman
  - Succeeded Judge Evans
  - Born in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, on June 23, 1888
  - United States Senator (Wisconsin) March 4, 1933, to January 3, 1939
  - Commissioned District Judge, Eastern Wisconsin, on July 1, 1939
  - Commissioned Circuit Judge on February 2, 1949
    - Oath of office on February 14, 1949
  - Designated Chief Judge of Seventh Circuit on June 15, 1954
    - effective as of September 1, 1954, in lieu of Judge Major
  - Relinquished duties as Chief Judge on August 6, 1959, pursuant to
    - 28 USC § 45, as amended on August 6, 1958, effective
    - August 6, 1959, to Honorable John S. Hastings
  - Retired (assumed Senior Status) on June 30, 1966
  - Died on August 16, 1979
  
21. **FINNEGAN, Honorable Philip J.** (Illinois)
  - Appointed by President Truman
  - Succeeded Judge Sparks
  - Born in Chicago, Illinois, on June 25, 1886
  - Judge, Municipal Court of Chicago, Illinois, from 1922 to 1929
  - Judge, Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois, from 1929 to 1949
  - Commissioned Circuit Judge on May 5, 1949
    - Oath of office on August 12, 1949
  - Died on December 4, 1959

22. **LINDLEY, Honorable Walter C.** (Illinois)  
Appointed by President Truman  
Succeeded Judge Minton  
Born in Neoga, Illinois, on July 12, 1880  
Commissioned District Judge, Eastern Illinois, on September 22, 1922  
Commissioned Circuit Judge on October 13, 1949  
Oath of office on October 24, 1949  
Died on January 3, 1958

**August 3, 1949, from 5 to 6 Judges - 63 Stat. Ch. 387, p. 493**

23. **SWAIM, Honorable Hardress Nathan** (Indiana)  
Appointed by President Truman  
Appointed as **Sixth** Judge  
Born on November 30, 1890, at Zionsville, Indiana  
Justice, Supreme Court, Indiana, from 1939 to 1945  
Recess appointment Circuit Judge on October 21, 1949  
Oath of office, recess appointment on November 7, 1949  
Permanent commission as Circuit Judge on February 10, 1950  
Oath of office, permanent commission, on February 24, 1950  
Died on July 30, 1957

24. **SCHNACKENBERG, Honorable Elmer Jacob** (Illinois)  
Appointed by President Eisenhower  
Succeeded Judge Kerner, Sr.  
Born in Indianapolis, Indiana, on August 22, 1889  
Member, Illinois Legislature, from 1912 to 1913 and from 1922 to 1944  
Speaker, U.S. House of Representatives (Illinois), from 1941 to 1944  
Judge, Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois, from 1945 to 1954  
Commissioned Circuit Judge (recess) on November 17, 1953  
(Did not enter on duty under recess appointment)  
Permanent Commission as Circuit Judge on February 9, 1954  
Oath of office on February 23, 1954  
Waived right to serve as Chief Judge in favor of  
Honorable John S. Hastings only on August 5, 1959  
Died on September 15, 1968

25. **HASTINGS, Honorable John Simpson** (Indiana)  
Appointed by President Eisenhower  
Succeeded Judge Major  
Born in Washington, Indiana, on June 30, 1898  
Commissioned Circuit Judge on August 26, 1957  
Oath of office on September 10, 1957  
Assumed duties as Chief Judge on August 6, 1959, from  
Honorable F. Ryan Duffy, pursuant to 28 USC § 45  
on August 6, 1958, effective August 6, 1959  
Relinquished duties as Chief Judge on June 1, 1968, to Honorable Latham  
Castle  
Assumed Senior Status on February 1, 1969  
Died on February 7, 1977
26. **PARKINSON, Honorable William Lynn** (Indiana)  
Appointed by President Eisenhower  
Succeeded Judge Swaim  
Born in Attica, Indiana, on September 18, 1902  
Judge, Tippecanoe Circuit Court (Indiana), from 1937 to 1954  
Commissioned District Judge, Northern Indiana, on August 6, 1954  
Commissioned Circuit Judge on August 26, 1957  
Oath of Office on September 10, 1957  
Disappeared on October 26, 1959  
(Body recovered from Lake Michigan on April 24, 1960  
Burial on April 27, 1960)
27. **KNOCH, Honorable Winfred George** (Illinois)  
Appointed by President Eisenhower  
Succeeded Judge Lindley  
Born in Naperville, Illinois, on May 24, 1895  
Judge, DuPage County, Illinois, from 1930 to 1939  
Judge, 16th Judicial Circuit of Illinois, from 1939 to 1953  
Commissioned District Judge, Northern Illinois, Eastern Division,  
on May 14, 1953  
Commissioned Circuit Judge on August 21, 1958  
Oath of office on September 15, 1958  
Assumed Senior Status on December 4, 1967  
Died on May 23, 1983



28. **CASTLE, Honorable Latham** (Illinois)  
Appointed by President Eisenhower  
Succeeded Judge Finnegan  
Born in Sandwich, Illinois, on February 27, 1900  
State's Attorney, DeKalb County, Illinois, from 1928 to 1940  
Judge, DeKalb County, Illinois, from 1942 to 1952  
State Attorney General, Illinois, from 1952 to 1959  
Commissioned Circuit Judge on April 30, 1959  
Oath of office on May 8, 1959  
Assumed duties as Chief Judge on June 1, 1968, from Honorable John S. Hastings  
Assumed Senior Status on February 26, 1970  
Relinquished duties as Chief Judge on February 27, 1970,  
to Honorable Luther M. Swygert  
Died on March 10, 1986

29. **KILEY, Honorable Roger Joseph** (Illinois)  
Appointed by President Kennedy  
Succeeded Judge Parkinson  
Born in Chicago, Illinois, on October 23, 1900  
Judge, Superior Court of Cook County, Illinois, from 1940 to 1941  
Judge, Appellate Court, First District, Chicago, Illinois, from 1941 to 1961  
Commissioned Circuit Judge on June 30, 1961  
Oath of office on July 10, 1961  
Assumed Senior Status on January 1, 1974  
Died on September 6, 1974

**May 19, 1961, From 6 to 7 Judges - Pub. 87-36, 75 Stat. 80**

30. **SWYGERT, Honorable Luther M.** (Indiana)  
Appointed by President Kennedy  
Appointed as **Seventh** Judge  
Born in Miami County, Indiana, on February 7, 1905  
Commissioned District Judge, Northern Indiana, on October 16, 1943  
Served as Chief Judge from 1954 to 1961  
Commissioned Circuit Judge on September 29, 1961  
Oath of office on October 11, 1961  
Assumed duties as Chief Judge on February 27, 1970, serving through 1975, from  
Honorable Latham Castle  
Assumed Senior Status on July 1, 1981  
Died on March 16, 1988

**March 18, 1966, from 7 to 8 Judges -Pub. L. 89-372, Section 1(b),  
80 Stat. 75**

31. **FAIRCHILD, Honorable Thomas Edward** (Wisconsin)

Appointed by President Johnson  
Succeeded Judge Duffy  
Born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on December 25, 1912  
State Attorney General, Wisconsin, from 1948 to 1961  
U.S. Attorney, Western District of Wisconsin, from 1951 to 1952  
Justice, Supreme Court, Wisconsin, from 1957 to 1966  
Commissioned Circuit Judge on August 11, 1966  
Oath of office on August 24, 1966  
Served as Chief Judge from February 7, 1975, to August 31, 1981  
Assumed Senior Status on September 1, 1981  
Died on February 12, 2007

**March 18, 1966, from 7 to 8 Judges -Pub. L. 89-372, Section 1(b),  
80 Stat. 75**

32. **CUMMINGS, Honorable Walter Joseph** (Illinois)  
Appointed by President Johnson  
Appointed as **Eighth** Judge  
Born in Chicago, Illinois, on September 29, 1916  
Solicitor General of the United States, from 1952 to 1953  
Commissioned Circuit Judge on August 11, 1966  
Oath of office on August 15, 1966  
Served as Chief Judge from 1981 to 1986  
Died on April 24, 1999
33. **KERNER, JR., Honorable Otto** (Illinois)  
Appointed by President Johnson  
Succeeded Judge Knoch  
Born in Chicago, Illinois, on August 15, 1908  
U.S. Attorney, Northern District of Illinois, from 1947 to 1954  
Judge, Cook County Circuit Court, Illinois, from 1954 to 1961  
Governor of Illinois, from 1961 to 1968  
Commissioned Circuit Judge on April 22, 1968  
Oath of office on May 20, 1968  
Resigned on July 22, 1974  
Died on May 9, 1976

34. **PELL, Honorable Wilbur Frank, Jr.** (Indiana)  
Appointed by President Nixon  
Succeeded Judge Hastings  
Born in Shelbyville, Indiana, on December 6, 1915  
Deputy State Attorney General, Indiana, from 1952 to 1955  
Commissioned Circuit Judge on April 24, 1970  
Oath of office on May 11, 1970  
Assumed Senior Status on July 31, 1984  
Died on September 25, 2000
35. **STEVENS, Honorable John Paul** (Illinois)  
Appointed by President Nixon  
Succeeded Judge Schnackenberg  
Born in Chicago, Illinois, on April 20, 1920  
Commissioned Circuit Judge on October 14, 1970  
Oath of office on November 2, 1970  
Appointed to the Supreme Court of the United States on December 17, 1975,  
to the seat vacated by William O. Douglas  
Assumed Senior Status on June 30, 2010
36. **SPRECHER, Honorable Robert Arthur** (Illinois)  
Appointed by President Nixon  
Succeeded Judge Castle  
Born in Chicago, Illinois, on May 30, 1917  
Commissioned Circuit Judge on April 23, 1971  
Oath of office on May 7, 1971  
Died on May 15, 1982
37. **TONE, Honorable Philip Willis** (Illinois)  
Appointed by President Nixon  
Born in Chicago, Illinois, on April 9, 1923  
Succeeded Judge Kiley  
Commissioned District Judge, Northern Illinois, on January 26, 1972  
Commissioned Circuit Judge on May 14, 1974  
Oath of office on May 17, 1974  
Resigned on April 30, 1980  
Died on November 28, 2001

38. **BAUER, Honorable William Joseph** (Illinois)  
Appointed by President Ford  
Born in Chicago, Illinois, on September 15, 1926  
Succeeded Judge Kerner  
States Attorney, DuPage County, Illinois, from 1959 to 1964  
Judge, DuPage County Circuit Court, Illinois, from 1964 to 1970  
U.S. Attorney, Northern District of Illinois, from 1970 to 1971  
Commissioned District Judge, Northern Illinois, on November 10, 1971  
Commissioned Circuit Judge on December 20, 1974  
Oath of office on January 3, 1975  
Served as Chief Judge from 1986 to 1993  
Assumed Senior Status on October 31, 1994

39. **WOOD, Honorable Harlington Jr.** (Illinois)  
Appointed by President Ford  
Born in Springfield, Illinois, on April 17, 1920  
Succeeded Judge Stevens  
U.S. Attorney, Southern District of Illinois, from 1958 to 1961  
Assistant Attorney General, Civil Division, U.S. Department of Justice,  
from 1972 to 1973  
Commissioned District Judge, Southern Illinois, on July 18, 1973  
Commissioned Circuit Judge on May 7, 1976  
Oath of office May 28, 1976  
Assumed Senior Status on January 15, 1992  
Died on December 29, 2008

**From 8 to 9 Judges – 92 Stat. 1629, 1632**

40. **CUDAHY, Honorable Richard Dickson** (Wisconsin)  
Appointed by President Carter  
Born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on February 2, 1926  
Appointed as **Ninth** Judge  
Commissioned Circuit Judge on September 26, 1979  
Oath of office on October 10, 1979  
Assumed Senior Status on August 15, 1994  
Died on September 25, 2015

41. **ESCHBACH, Honorable Jesse Ernest** (Indiana)  
Appointed by President Reagan  
Born in Warsaw, Indiana, on October 26, 1920  
Succeeded Judge Swygert  
Commissioned District Judge, Northern Indiana, on April 13, 1962  
Served as Chief Judge from 1974 to 1981  
Commissioned Circuit Judge on December 1, 1981  
Oath of office on December 11, 1981  
Assumed Senior Status on November 4, 1985  
Died on October 25, 2005

42. **POSNER, Honorable Richard Allen** (Illinois)  
Appointed by President Reagan  
Born in New York, New York, on January 11, 1939  
Succeeded Judge Tone  
Commissioned Circuit Judge on December 1, 1981  
Oath of office December 4, 1981  
Served as Chief Judge from 1993 to 2000
43. **COFFEY, Honorable John Louis** (Wisconsin)  
Appointed by President Reagan  
Born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on April 15, 1922  
Succeeded Judge Fairchild  
Judge, Milwaukee County Circuit Court, Wisconsin, 1962 to 1978  
Justice, Supreme Court, Wisconsin, from 1978 to 1982  
Commissioned Circuit Judge on March 19, 1982  
Oath of office on March 27, 1982  
Assumed Senior Status on July 2, 2004  
Died on November 10, 2012
44. **FLAUM, Honorable Joel Martin** (Illinois)  
Appointed by President Reagan  
Born in Hudson, New York, on November 26, 1936  
Succeeded Judge Sprecher  
Commissioned District Judge, Northern Illinois, on December 20, 1974  
Commissioned Circuit Judge on May 5, 1983  
Oath of office on June 1, 1983  
Served as Chief Judge from August 1, 2000 to November 26, 2006
- From 9 to 10 Judges – 98 Stat. 333, 346**
45. **EASTERBROOK, Honorable Frank Hoover** (Illinois)  
Appointed by President Reagan  
Born in Buffalo, New York, on September 3, 1948  
Appointed as **Tenth** Judge  
Commissioned Circuit Judge on April 4, 1985  
Oath of office on April 10, 1985  
Served as Chief Judge from November 27, 2006 to September 30, 2013

**From 10 to 11 Judges – 98 Stat. 333, 346**

46. **RIPPLE, Honorable Kenneth Francis** (Indiana)  
Appointed by President Reagan  
Born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, on May 19, 1943  
Appointed **Eleventh** Judge  
Commissioned Circuit Judge on May 10, 1985  
Oath of office on June 10, 1985  
Assumed Senior Status September 1, 2008
47. **MANION, Honorable Daniel Anthony** (Indiana)  
Appointed by President Reagan  
Succeeded Judge Pell  
Born in South Bend, Indiana, on February 1, 1942  
Commissioned Circuit Judge on July 24, 1986  
Oath of office on October 29, 1986  
Assumed Senior Status on December 18, 2007
48. **KANNE, Honorable Michael Stephen** (Indiana)  
Appointed by President Reagan  
Born in Rensselaer, Indiana, on December 21, 1938  
Succeeded Judge Eschbach  
District Judge, Northern District of Indiana, from 1981 to 1987  
Commissioned Circuit Judge on May 20, 1987  
Oath of office on May 21, 1987
49. **ROVNER, Honorable Ilana Kara Diamond** (Illinois)  
Appointed by President H. W. Bush  
Born in Riga, Latvia, on August 21, 1938  
Succeeded Judge Wood  
Commissioned District Judge, Northern Illinois, on September 12, 1984  
Commissioned Circuit Judge on August 17, 1992  
Oath of office on August 17, 1992
50. **WOOD, Honorable Diane Pamela** (Illinois)  
Appointed by President Clinton  
Succeeded Judge Bauer  
Born in Plainfield, New Jersey, on July 4, 1950  
Commissioned Circuit Judge on June 30, 1995  
Oath of office on July 24, 1995  
Assumed duties as Chief Judge on October 1, 2013, from  
Honorable Frank H. Easterbrook

51. **EVANS, Honorable Terence Thomas** (Wisconsin)  
Appointed by President Clinton  
Succeeded Judge Cudahy  
Born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on March 25, 1940  
Commissioned District Judge, Eastern Wisconsin, on November 2, 1979  
Commissioned Circuit Judge on August 11, 1995  
Oath of office on September 1, 1995  
Assumed Senior Status on January 7, 2010  
Died on August 10, 2011
52. **WILLIAMS, Honorable Ann Claire** (Illinois)  
Appointed by President Clinton  
Succeeded Judge Cummings  
Born in Detroit, Michigan, on August 16, 1949  
Commissioned District Judge, Northern Illinois, on April 4, 1985  
Commissioned Circuit Judge on November 15, 1999  
Oath of office on November 17, 1999
53. **SYKES, Honorable Diane S.** (Milwaukee)  
Appointed by President George W. Bush  
Succeeded Judge Coffey  
Born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on December 23, 1957  
Judge, Milwaukee County Circuit Court, Wisconsin, from 1992 to 1999  
Justice, Supreme Court of Wisconsin, from 1999 to 2004  
Commissioned Circuit Judge on July 1, 2004  
Oath of office on July 4, 2004
54. **TINDER, Honorable John Daniel** (Indiana)  
Appointed by President George W. Bush  
Succeeded Judge Manion  
Born in Indianapolis, Indiana, on February 17, 1950  
U.S. Attorney, Southern District of Indiana, from 1984 to 1987  
Commissioned District Judge, Southern Indiana, on August 10, 1987  
Commissioned on December 21, 2007  
Oath of office on December 28, 2007  
Retired (assumed Senior Status) on June 30, 2015
55. **HAMILTON, Honorable David F.** (Indiana)  
Appointed by President Barack H. Obama  
Succeeded Judge Ripple  
Born in Bloomington, Indiana, on May 5, 1957  
Commissioned District Judge, Southern Indiana, on October 11, 1994  
Commissioned Circuit Judge on November 23, 2009  
Oath of office on November 24, 2009