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–Newark Alumni Association in honor of the late Chief Justice of the New Jersey Supreme Court.
The late Chief Justice Robert N. Wilentz inaugurated the series in 1982.

2009 – Honorable Dickinson R. Debevoise (Senior Judge, U.S. District Court, District of New Jersey): “Reflections Upon *Herring v. United States*: The Dangers of Narrowing Protections of Civil Rights in the Pressure Cooker Environment in Which We Live”

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1997 – Honorable Deborah T. Poritz (Chief Justice, Supreme Court of New Jersey): “Independence and Integrity: The Soul of the Judiciary”

1996 – Honorable James H. Coleman, Jr. (Supreme Court of New Jersey): “The Evaluation of Race in the Jury Selection Process”

1995 – Honorable Robert E. Cowen '58 (U.S. Court of Appeals, Third Circuit): “Thoughts on Federalization of State Law Questions”

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1992 – Honorable Gary Stein (Supreme Court of New Jersey): “The First Amendment and Campaign Finance Reform: A Timely Reconciliation”

1991 – Honorable Harold A. Ackerman '51 (U.S. District Court, District of New Jersey): “The New Jersey Jail Crisis: The Judicial Experience”

1990 – Honorable Marie L. Garibaldi (Supreme Court of New Jersey): “The Rehnquist Court: Defining the Constitutional Scope of the Death Penalty”

1989 – Honorable A. Leon Higginbotham (Chief Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit): “Race and the American Legal Process”

1988 – Honorable Anne E. Thompson (U.S. District Court, District of New Jersey): “The Pursuit of an Impartial Jury”

1987 – Honorable Alan B. Handler (Supreme Court of New Jersey): “Social Dilemmas, Judicial (Ir)resolutions”

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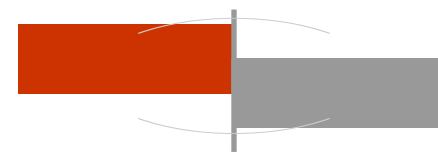
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“SYLVIA PRESSLER:
Reflections on a Life in the Law — Part II”



Delivered by

THE HONORABLE DEBORAH T. PORITZ

Chief Justice (Ret.), Supreme Court of New Jersey
Visiting Jurist Emerita-in-Residence, Rutgers School of Law–Newark
and Rutgers School of Law–Camden

and

THE HONORABLE VIRGINIA LONG '66

Associate Justice, Supreme Court of New Jersey

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The Honorable Deborah T. Poritz retired in 2006 as Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of New Jersey after 10 years in the position. Among her many accomplishments were the unification of the courts into a single statewide system and increasing the diversity of the judiciary workforce.

Justice Poritz is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania Law School. On graduation, she joined the office of the New Jersey Attorney General as a Deputy Attorney General in the Division of Law, Environmental Protection Section. She later was named Deputy Attorney General in charge of appeals and chief of the Banking, Insurance and Public Securities Section, and subsequently served as Assistant Attorney General and Director of the Division of Law. Chief Justice Poritz was appointed chief counsel to Gov. Thomas H. Kean. When he left office, she became a partner at the law firm of Jamieson, Moore, Peskin & Spicer where she remained until her appointment as New Jersey's first woman Attorney General. On July 10, 1996, she took the oath of office as the first woman Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of New Jersey.

Chief Justice Poritz was appointed Visiting Jurist Emerita-in-Residence at Rutgers School of Law–Newark and Rutgers School of Law–Camden. Beginning with the Fall 2010 semester at Rutgers–Newark, she will teach courses on the New Jersey Supreme Court in alternating semesters at the two schools. She also will deliver special lectures, consult with faculty on areas of common scholarship, and complete a book on the importance of state courts.



The Honorable Virginia Long was sworn in as an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of New Jersey on September 1, 1999, by then-Justice Marie L. Garibaldi. Justice Long was confirmed by the Senate for a second term and tenure on June 19, 2006. At the time of her nomination, she was serving as a presiding judge of the Appellate Division of the Superior Court.

A member of the bar for more than 40 years, she has served as a Deputy Attorney General; a litigation associate at Pitney, Hardin, Kipp and Szuch; Director of the New Jersey Division of Consumer Affairs; and Commissioner of the former New Jersey Department of Banking. In 1978, she was appointed to the Superior Court, where she presided over civil, criminal and family law cases. From 1983 to 1984, she was the General Equity judge for the Mercer, Somerset and Hunterdon vicinages. In 1984, then-Chief Justice Robert N. Wilentz elevated her to the Appellate Division. During her tenure there, she penned more than 2,000 opinions. She became a presiding judge in 1995. She has also chaired and served as a member of numerous Supreme Court committees including Extra-judicial Activities and Judicial Performance.

Justice Long graduated from Rutgers School of Law–Newark in 1966, where she was captain of the Appellate Moot Court team and winner of the competition prizes for Best Oralist and Best Brief.

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