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Education:

Stanford University, B.A. (History) with Great Distinction 1968.
Balliol College, Oxford University (Rhodes Scholar), M. Litt. 1971.
Harvard Law School, J.D. 1976.
American University of Beirut (Exchange Scholar) 1964-1965.

United States District Judge, 1994 -

Nominated by President William J. Clinton and confirmed by the Senate on November 20, 1993.

Associate Justice, Superior Court of Massachusetts 1990-1993

Circuit judge on the senior trial court of Massachusetts. Presided at trials of major felony crimes and complex civil cases, handled equity matters and administrative appeals. Served as a member of the Superior Court Committees on Bail and Personnel.

Assistant United States Attorney, Massachusetts 1982-1990

Served successively as Chief of the General Crimes Unit, Chief of the Criminal Division, First Assistant U.S. Attorney, and Senior Litigation Counsel.

Personally responsible for the prosecution of terrorism, espionage, and white collar crime and government procurement fraud cases. Commended by the Attorney General and the Director of the FBI for the trial of *United States v. Johnson, et al.* (terrorism); by the Director of the FBI for the trial of *United States v. Murphy, et al.* (terrorism); by the Director of the FBI for the prosecution of *United States v. Zehe* (espionage); by the Department of Defense for the trial of *United States v. Waltham Screw Co., et al.* (procurement fraud); by the Department of Defense for the prosecution of *United States v. Avco Systems Division* (procurement fraud); and by the Director of the FBI for the trial of *United States v. Crosby* (white collar crime). Recipient of the Department of Justice Superior Performance and Special Commendation Awards. Member, Operations Committee, Department of Justice Economic Crime Council, 1984-1990.

Assistant District Attorney, Massachusetts 1976-1982

Served as a prosecutor in the District and Superior Courts of Massachusetts. Served as Senior Trial Attorney for the Career Criminal Prosecution Unit, Norfolk County District Attorney's Office.

Other Employment and Positions

Director of Delegate Selection, Presidential Campaign of Senator Edward M. Kennedy, 1979-1980. Deputy Campaign Manager, Presidential Campaign of Senator George S. McGovern, 1970-1972. Midwest Campaign Director, Presidential Campaign of Senator Eugene J. McCarthy, 1968. International Vice President, U.S. National Student Association, 1966-1967.

Staff member, Commission on Democratic Party Reform, 1969. Member, Commission on the Reform of the Presidential Nominating Process, 1976-1978. Member, Rules Committee, Democratic National Convention, 1980. Member, Technical Advisory Committee to the Presidential Nomination Commission, 1981-1982.

Trustee and Chair of the Committee on Science and Research, Vincent Memorial Hospital for Women (at Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston).

Selected Publications and Lectureships

Massachusetts Criminal Law: A Prosecutor's Guide (27th ed. 2007). "An Appropriate Legal Framework for Dealing with Modern Terrorism and Weapons of Mass Destruction," in Steve Tsang, ed., *Intelligence and Human Rights in the Era of Global Terrorism* (Westport, CT: Praeger/Oxford University Press 2006). Advisor and Lecturer, Department of Defense Counter Proliferation Initiative (Central Europe and the Balkan States, Central Asia). Lecturer, ABA-CEELI Project (Russia, Kyrgyzstan). Lecturer, U.S. State Department and Department of Justice Rule of Law Initiative (Moldova, Russia, Lithuania, Latvia, Croatia, Armenia, Cyprus). Lecturer, Pluscarden Programme, St. Antony's College, Oxford (2006, 2008). Lecturer, Foundation for Research on Economics and the Environment (1998 -). Lecturer, Einstein Institute on the Human Genome (1997-1999). Commencement Speaker, Southern New England Law School (Honorary Doctor of Law) (2004). Instructor, Harvard Law School (1984-1987). Instructor, Harvard University School of Government (1974).

Memberships

Massachusetts and American Bar Associations. Judicial Conference Committee on Space and Facilities (2005 -); Federal-State Jurisdiction Committee (1996-2002); Mass Torts Working Group (1998-1999); First Circuit Judicial Council (2006-2007). Phi Beta Kappa. Beta Gamma

Sigma (Honorary).

Judge Lawrence Brown from the Sacramento Superior Court, California. Brown ran for re-election to the Superior Court in 2012. As an unopposed incumbent, his name did not appear on the ballot. After the primary election, Brown was automatically re-elected.^[3]

Judge Holly Hill from the King County Superior Court, the State of Washington.

Worked as a trial lawyer in both the public and private sectors, in Washington and Illinois, both state and federal courts. Judge Pro Tempore. University of Washington Certified mediator. Adjunct faculty University of Washington Law School. Program Director National Institute for Trial Advocacy. Federal civil rights attorney. Argued simple and complex civil and criminal cases in Municipal, District, Superior, Appellate and Federal Courts. Mediator. Taught hundreds of lawyers. U.S. State Department funded teacher of lawyers in Africa. Founder, internet filtering company. She finished Northwestern University Law School; BA, Vassar College.