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# Judges appointed by Deval Patrick

**Deval Patrick** is the former Democratic governor of Massachusetts. He was elected in 2006, and took office in 2007. He was re-elected in 2010, and left office in 2015. For a more extensive profile, visit Patrick's page here.

## Appointment process

In Massachusetts, the governor select a judge to fill a vacancy on a court. Before a judge can take office, she or he must be approved by the Governor's Council.<sup>[1]</sup>

## Appointed judges

The tables below list the governor's appointees to the courts across the state. These lists are updated automatically with new appointments.

### Supreme Judicial Court

Name	Court	Active	Previous position
Roderick Ireland	Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court	1997-2014	Associate justice, Massachusetts Appeals Court
Margot Botsford	Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court	2007-2017	Judge, Massachusetts Superior Courts
Barbara Lenk	Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court	2011-2020	Judge, Massachusetts Appeals Court
Fernande Duffly	Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court	2011-2016	Judge, Massachusetts Appeals Court
Geraldine S. Hines	Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court	2014-2017	Judge, Massachusetts Appeals Court
Ralph Gants	Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court	2009 - Present	Judge, Massachusetts Superior Courts

### Appeals Court

### Judicial Appointments



Governor Deval Patrick

Other Governors

<b>Name</b>	<b>Court</b>	<b>Active</b>	<b>Previous position</b>
Diana L. Maldonado	Massachusetts Appeals Court	2013-Present	Justice, Chelsea District Court
Peter W. Agnes Jr.	Massachusetts Appeals Court	2011-Present	Judge, Superior Court Judge
Judd J. Carhart	Massachusetts Appeals Court	2010-Present	Superior Court Judge
Geraldine S. Hines	Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court	2014-2017	Judge, Massachusetts Appeals Court
Sydney Hanlon	Massachusetts Appeals Court	2009-present	District Court Judge
James R. Milkey	Massachusetts Appeals Court	2009-present	Chief, Environmental Protection Division of the Massachusetts Attorney General's Office
Mary Thomas Sullivan	Massachusetts Appeals Court	2011-present	Partner, Segal, Roitman, L.L.P.
Amy Lyn Blake	Massachusetts Appeals Court	2014 - Present	Judge, Essex Probate and Family Court
Gregory I. Massing	Massachusetts Appeals Court	2014-present	Executive Director, Rappaport Center for Law and Public Service at Suffolk University Law School

## Superior Courts

<b>Name</b>	<b>Court</b>	<b>Active</b>	<b>Previous position</b>
Rosalind H. Miller	Massachusetts Superior Court	2014-Present	Judge, Boston Municipal Courts, Massachusetts
Richard J. Carey	Massachusetts Superior Court	2010-Present	
Timothy Q. Feeley	Massachusetts Superior Court	2008 - Present	Assistant U.S. attorney
Richard T. Tucker	Massachusetts Superior Court	2008 - Present	Partner, <i>Bernstein, Burwick, Tucker &amp; Stern</i>
Kenneth V. Desmond, Jr.	Massachusetts Appeals Court	2016-Present	Associate Justice, Massachusetts Superior Courts
Shannon Frison	Massachusetts Superior Court	2012 - Present	Judge, Boston Municipal Court
Robert N. Tochka	Massachusetts Superior Court	2014 - Present	Associate justice, Boston Municipal Court
Daniel M. Wrenn	Massachusetts Superior Court	2011-Present	Attorney in private practice
John S. Ferrara	Massachusetts Superior Court	2011 - Present	Attorney, <i>Dalsey, Ferrara and Albano</i>
Kimberly S. Budd	Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court	2016 - Present	Massachusetts Superior Courts
Garry Inge	Massachusetts Superior Court	2009 - Present	Trial attorney
Mitchell H. Kaplan	Massachusetts Superior Court	2009 - Present	Partner, <i>Choate, Hall &amp; Stewart</i>
Janet Kenton-Walker	Massachusetts Superior Court	2009-Present	Of counsel, <i>Boston Law Collaborative, LLC</i>
Maynard Kirpalani	Massachusetts Superior Court	2011 - Present	Partner, <i>Wilson, Elser, Moskowitz, Edelman &amp; Dicker</i>
Edward P. Leibensperger	Massachusetts Superior Court	2011 - Present	Partner, <i>McDermott Will &amp; Emery</i>
Thomas F. McGuire Jr.	Massachusetts Superior Court	2009 - Present	Corporation counsel, City of Fall River
David Ricciardone	Massachusetts Superior Court	2011-Present	Associate justice, Massachusetts District Court
Christine M. Roach	Massachusetts Superior Court	2008-Present	Partner, <i>Roach &amp; Carpenter</i>
Raymond P. Veary	Massachusetts Superior Court	2011 - Present	Prosecutor, Bristol County District Attorney's Office
Douglas Wilkins	Massachusetts Superior Court	2010 - Present	Attorney in private practice
James F. Lang	Massachusetts Superior Court	2012 - Present	
Robert B. Gordon	Massachusetts Superior Court	2013 - Present	Partner, <i>Ropes &amp; Gray, LLP</i>
Brian A. Davis	Massachusetts Superior Court	2013-Present	Partner, <i>Choate, Hall &amp; Stewart LLP</i>
Angel Kelley Brown	Massachusetts Superior Court	2013 - Present	Associate judge, Brockton District Court
Edward J. McDonough Jr.	Massachusetts Superior Court	2013 - Present	Attorney, <i>Egan, Flanagan &amp; Cohen</i>
Heidi Brieger	Massachusetts Superior Court	2012 - Present	Prosecutor, U.S. Attorney's Office, Massachusetts
Renee P. Dupuis	Massachusetts Superior Court	2011 - Present	Chief, Criminal Bureau, Attorney General's Office

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Peter B. Krupp	Massachusetts Superior Court	2013-Present	Partner, <i>Lurie &amp; Krupp, LLP</i>
Kenneth W. Salinger	Massachusetts Superior Court	2012-Present	Assistant attorney general & appeals coordinator, Government Bureau of the Massachusetts Attorney General's office
Paul D. Wilson	Massachusetts Superior Court	2012 - Present	Attorney, <i>Mintz, Levin, Cohn, Ferris, Glovsky and Popeo</i>
Robert Ullmann	Massachusetts Superior Court	2013 - Present	Partner, <i>Nutter, McClennen &amp; Fish, LLP</i>
Laurence D. Pierce	Massachusetts Superior Court	2014-Present	Associate justice, Cambridge District Court
Mary K. Ames	Massachusetts Superior Court	2012 - Present	Attorney in private practice
Mark D. Mason	Massachusetts Superior Court	2015 - Present	Judge, Massachusetts District Courts
Beverly J. Cannone	Massachusetts Superior Court	2014 - Present	Associate justice, Massachusetts District Courts
Thomas Drechsler	Massachusetts Superior Court	2014 - Present	Partner, <i>Byrne &amp; Drechsler</i>
Gregg J. Pasquale	Massachusetts Superior Court	2014 - Present	Partner, <i>Pasquale &amp; White</i>
Joshua I. Wall	Massachusetts Superior Court	2014 - Present	Chair, Massachusetts Parole Board
Raffi N. Yessayan	Massachusetts Superior Court	2014 - Present	Attorney in private practice
William F. Sullivan	Massachusetts Superior Court	2014 - Present	Partner, <i>Sullivan and Sweeney, LLP</i>

## District Courts

Name	Court	Active	Previous position
J. Thomas Kirkman	Edgartown District Court, Massachusetts	2015 - Present	Associate justice, Orleans District Court
Franco J. Gobourne	Massachusetts District Courts	2010 - Present	
Debra Shopteese	Boston Municipal Courts, Massachusetts		
J. Elizabeth Cremens	Massachusetts District Courts	2011 - Present	
Michael J. McCarthy	Southern Berkshire District Court, Massachusetts		
Jennifer Ginsburg	Worcester District Court, Massachusetts	2012 - Present	Attorney in private practice
Gerald A. Lemire	Uxbridge District Court, Massachusetts	2013 - Present	Clerk-magistrate, Uxbridge District Court
Cesar A. Archilla	Massachusetts District Courts	2013 - Present	Massachusetts Parole Board
Thomas L. Finigan	Stoughton District Court, Massachusetts	2013 - Present	Norfolk County District Attorney's Office
Cynthia M. Brackett	Taunton District Court, Massachusetts	2013 - Present	Bristol County District Attorney's Office
John P. Stapleton	Fall River District Court, Massachusetts	2013 - Present	Bristol County District Attorney's Office
Julieann Herson	Massachusetts District Courts	2013 - Present	Attorney-in-charge, <i>Committee for Public Counsel Services</i>
Edmund C. Mathers	Brockton District Court, Massachusetts	2013 - Present	Partner, <i>Mathers and Mathers</i>
Matthew J. Shea	Holyoke District Court, Massachusetts	2014 - Present	Hampden County District Attorney's Office
Thomas H. Estes	Northampton District Court, Massachusetts	2014 - Present	Attorney-in-charge, Public Defender Division
Dennis P. Sargent	Clinton District Court, Massachusetts	2013 - Present	Assistant clerk magistrate, Clinton District Court
Jennifer A. Stark	Marlborough District Court, Massachusetts	2013 - Present	Office of the Attorney General, Massachusetts
Christopher P. LoConto	Fitchburg District Court, Massachusetts	2013 - Present	Partner, LoConto & Madaio
Heather Bradley	Massachusetts District Courts	2011 - Present	Chief, Forfeiture Unit, Plymouth County District Attorney's Office
Lisa F. Edmonds	Orleans District Court, Massachusetts	2014 - Present	Assistant district attorney, Cape and Islands District Attorney's Office
Neil A. Hourihan	Massachusetts District Courts	2014 - Present	Attorney in private practice
William O'Grady	Massachusetts District Courts	2014 - Present	Associate city solicitor
Catherine K. Byrne	Boston Municipal Courts, Massachusetts	2012 - Present	Assistant federal public defender
Michael A. Patten	Lowell District Court, Massachusetts	10/1/2014 - Present	
Paul H. Smyth	Massachusetts District Courts	2015 - Present	Assistant U.S. attorney, U.S. Attorney's Office
Lynn C. Brendemuehl	Massachusetts District Courts	2014 - Present	Administrative judge, Department of Industrial Accidents
Holly Broadbent	Massachusetts District Courts	2014 - Present	Chief, Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Unit, Suffolk County District Attorney's Office

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Jeanmarie Carroll	Massachusetts District Courts	2014 - Present	First assistant district attorney, Norfolk County District Attorney's office
Paula J. Clifford	Massachusetts District Courts	2014 - Present	
David E. Frank	Massachusetts District Courts	2014 - Present	
Michael A. Vitali	Massachusetts District Courts	2014 - Present	
William A. Fitzpatrick	Massachusetts District Courts	January 2014 - Present	

## Juvenile Court

Name	Court	Active	Previous position
Kenneth King	Middlesex Juvenile Court, Massachusetts	2009 - Present	Associate professor, Suffolk University Law School's Juvenile Justice Center
Lois M. Eaton	Hampden Juvenile Court, Massachusetts	2009- Present	Assistant regional counsel, Department of Social Services an
Judith J. Phillips	Franklin/Hampshire Juvenile Court, Massachusetts	2011- Present	Solo practitioner
Peter M. Coyne	Suffolk Juvenile Court, Massachusetts	2011- Present	Magistrate, Suffolk County Juvenile Court
Garrett J. McManus	Suffolk Juvenile Court, Massachusetts	2011- Present	Attorney in private practice
Anthony J. Marotta	Worcester Juvenile Court, Massachusetts	2011 - Present	Worcester assistant district attorney
Joan M. McMenemy	Berkshire Juvenile Court, Massachusetts	2010- Present	Prosecutor, Berkshire District Attorney's Office
Gloria Y. Tan	Middlesex Juvenile Court, Massachusetts	2013- Present	Deputy director, Criminal Justice Institute at Harvard Law School
Dana M. Gershengorn	Plymouth Juvenile Court, Massachusetts	2009- Present	Deputy chief, Major Crimes Unit, U.S. Attorney's Office
Deborah A. S. Capuano	Worcester Juvenile Court, Massachusetts	2009 - Present	Attorney in solo practice
Siobhan E. Foley	Plymouth Juvenile Court, Massachusetts	2014 - Present	Supervisor, Norfolk County District Attorney's Office
Lawrence Moniz	Bristol Juvenile Court, Massachusetts	2008 - Present	Partner, <i>O'Boy and Moniz</i>
Helen Brown Bryant	Suffolk Juvenile Court, Massachusetts	2014- Present	Attorney in private practice
Mary O'Sullivan Smith	Barnstable Juvenile Court, Massachusetts	2012 - Present	Director of legal training, Plymouth County District Attorney's office and the Community based Juvenile Justice Program

## Probate and Family Court

Name	Court	Active	Previous position
Arthur C. Ryley	Barnstable Probate and Family Court, Massachusetts	2008 - Present	Attorney in private practice
Anne Geoffrion	Hampden Probate and Family Court, Massachusetts	2007-2017	Circuit judge, Massachusetts Probate and Family Courts
Linda S. Fidnick	Hampshire Probate and Family Court, Massachusetts	2008 - Present	Partner, <i>Burres, Fidnick &amp; Booth</i>
Leilah A. Keamy	Worcester Probate and Family Court, Massachusetts	2009 - Present	Associate justice, Middlesex Probate and Family Court
George F. Phelan	Nantucket Probate and Family Court, Massachusetts	2010 - Present	Attorney in solo practice
Joan Armstrong	Suffolk Probate and Family Court, Massachusetts	2008 - Present	Partner, <i>Murtha Cullina LLP</i>
Megan H. Christopher	Suffolk Probate and Family Court, Massachusetts	2012- Present	Attorney, MetroWest Legal Services
Patrick W. Stanton	Plymouth Probate and Family Court, Massachusetts	4/2012- Present	Attorney in solo practice
Kathryn M. Bailey	Worcester Probate and Family Court, Massachusetts	2014 - Present	Attorney in private practice
David J. Dacyczyn	Franklin Probate and Family Court, Massachusetts	2014 - Present	Judicial case manager, Hampshire Probate and Family Court
Geoffrey R. German	Hampden Probate and Family Court, Massachusetts	2014 - Present	Attorney in solo practice
Abbe L. Ross	Suffolk Probate and Family Court, Massachusetts	2014- Present	Attorney in solo practice
Frances M. Giordano	Essex Probate and Family Court, Massachusetts	2014 - Present	Partner, <i>Rubin and Rudman, LLP</i>
Richard A. Simons	Berkshire Probate and Family Court, Massachusetts	2008 - Present	Partner, <i>Simons, Smith &amp; Gerrard</i>
Jennifer M. Ulwick	Norfolk Probate and Family Court, Massachusetts	2012 - Present	Attorney, Middlesex Probate and Family Court Administrative Office
Peter Smola	Bristol Probate and Family Court, Massachusetts	2013 - Present	Attorney in private practice
Edward G. Boyle, III	Plymouth Probate and Family Court, Massachusetts	2009 - Present	Attorney in solo practice
Patricia A. Gorman	Middlesex Probate and Family Court, Massachusetts	2011 - Present	Founding partner, <i>Gorman &amp; Greenberg</i>
Richard J. McMahon	Bristol Probate and Family Court, Massachusetts	2012 - Present	Executive director, South Coastal Counties Legal Services, Inc.
Beth A. Crawford	Franklin Probate and Family Court, Massachusetts	2012 - Present	Assistant judicial case manager, Hampshire Probate and Family Court
Jeffrey A. Abber	Middlesex Probate and Family Court, Massachusetts	2010 - Present	Attorney in private practice
Kevin R. Connelly	Suffolk Probate and Family Court, Massachusetts	2013 - Present	Attorney in private practice
Brian J. Dunn	Essex Probate and Family Court, Massachusetts	2013 - Present	Attorney in solo practice
Theresa A. Bisenius	Essex Probate and Family Court, Massachusetts	2012 - Present	Attorney, <i>Theresa A. Bisenius, Attorney at Law</i>
Susan L. Jacobs	Norfolk Probate and Family Court, Massachusetts	2013 - Present	Partner, <i>Volterra, Goldberg &amp; Jacobs</i>
Barbara Hyland	Hampden Probate and Family Court, Massachusetts	2010 - Present	Attorney in private practice
Katherine A. Field	Bristol Probate and Family Court, Massachusetts	2010 - Present	Attorney, <i>Gay, Gay &amp; Field</i>

## Education

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Patrick received his undergraduate and J.D. degrees from Harvard University. He spent his post-graduate year working on a United Nations youth training project in Darfur.<sup>[2]</sup>

After graduation in 1982, Patrick clerked for a Federal Appeals Judge in the First Circuit Court of Appeals based in Boston.<sup>[3]</sup>

## Career

- **2006-present:** Governor, Commonwealth of Massachusetts
- **2002-2006:** Vice President and Corporate Secretary, The Coca-Cola Company
- **2001:** Executive Vice President and General Counsel, The Coca-Cola Company
- **1999-2001:** Vice President and General Counsel, Texaco
- **1997-1999:** Attorney, *Day, Berry & Howard'*
- **1994-1997:** Assistant Attorney General for Civil Rights
- **1990-:** Partner, *Hill & Barlow*
- **1986-1990:** Attorney, *Hill & Barlow*<sup>[4]</sup>ref name="Deval" />

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Massachusetts, an affluent, highly educated state at the top of its economic game, is one of the nation's bluest states, but it defies pigeonholing. The Bay State voted for Hillary Clinton by a 27-point margin – yet many of the same voters remained perfectly happy with their Republican governor, Charlie Baker, giving him one of the highest approval ratings in the country.

The Puritan leader John Winthrop wrote that Massachusetts would be a city upon a hill -- an example to the entire world. For 150 years, New England was partial to learning, but the Puritans' austere creed was also insular and hostile to outsiders, sending merchants and fishing boats out to sea but keeping the world at bay. After the American Revolution, the wars between royal Britain and revolutionary and Napoleonic France allowed New England ship owners to cross enemy lines to become the world's leading merchants. They made vast profits and invested the money in textile mills, then railroads, then coal mines and ...(read more)

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Massachusetts voted Democrat in all five presidential elections between 2000 and 2016.

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### Demographic data for Massachusetts

	Massachusetts	U.S.
Total population:	<b>6,784,240</b>	316,515,021
Land area (sq mi):	<b>7,800</b>	3,531,905
<b>Gender</b>		
Female:	<b>51.5%</b>	50.8%
<b>Race and ethnicity</b>		
White:	<b>79.6%</b>	73.6%
Black/African American:	<b>7.1%</b>	12.6%
Asian:	<b>6%</b>	5.1%
Native American:	<b>0.2%</b>	0.8%
Pacific Islander:	<b>0%</b>	0.2%
Two or more:	<b>2.9%</b>	3%
Hispanic/Latino:	<b>10.6%</b>	17.1%
<b>Education</b>		
High school graduation rate:	<b>89.8%</b>	86.7%
College graduation rate:	<b>40.5%</b>	29.8%
<b>Income</b>		
Median household income:	<b>\$68,563</b>	\$53,889



Persons below poverty level:	<b>13.1%</b>	<b>11.3%</b>
Source: <i>U.S. Census Bureau</i> , "American Community Survey" (5-year estimates 2010-2015)		

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## External links

- *Office of the Massachusetts Governor*, "Press Releases"
- *National Review*, "Racial Politics, As Ever"
- *National Review*, "Obama Supreme Court Candidate Deval Patrick—Part 1"

## Footnotes

1. *American Judicature Society*, "Methods of Judicial Selection: Massachusetts," archived October 2, 2014
2. State Bio: Deval Patrick
3. Deval Patrick Committee
4. Texaco Lawsuit Primer

## Massachusetts courts

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