

**Report of the
Administrative Office of
Pennsylvania Supreme Court
1998**

Supreme Court of Pennsylvania

*Chief Justice John P. Flaherty
Justice Stephen A. Zappala
Justice Ralph J. Cappy
Justice Ronald D. Castille
Justice Russell M. Nigro
Justice Sandra Schultz Newman
Justice Thomas G. Saylor*

*'98 in Brief
(listed chronologically)*

*Honorable Sandra Schultz
Newman elected to the
American Law Institute*

*Supreme Court reestab-
lished and expanded the
Judicial Council to assist
Court in managing Unified
Judicial System*

*Supreme Court's Special
Commission to Limit
Campaign Expenditures
released report making
eight recommendations to
cap skyrocketing cost of
running for judicial seats;
led to the amendment
of the Code of Judicial
Conduct and to the Rules
Governing Standards of
Conduct of District Justices,
clarifying when judicial
campaign fundraising
activities must end*

*Supreme Court adopted
Pennsylvania's first ever
Rules of Evidence upon
recommendation of its Ad
Hoc Committee on
Evidence*

Supreme Court appointed Carolyn Rudnitsky first non-attorney and first woman as chair of the Disciplinary Board

Chief Justice Flahery called on the state's attorneys to volunteer more of their time to help poor Pennsylvanians who need legal assistance

Juanita Kidd Stout, the first black woman to sit on the Pennsylvania Supreme Court, died at age 79

Honorable Max Baer, Family Court administrative judge for the Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County was honored by the president for his work in speeding adoptions

Supreme Court enacted new rule of court requiring that senior judges who do not serve on the appellate courts resign at the age of 75

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