

THE SUPERIOR COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA JUDGE'S CHAMBERS

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Statement by Pennsylvania Superior Court President Judge Correale F. Stevens:

"I thank Governor Tom Corbett for nominating me to the Pennsylvania Supreme Court. It would become an exciting opportunity for me to continue my judicial career in that capacity, if confirmed by the Pennsylvania Senate.

Until I hear otherwise from the Senate, I will continue to perform my duties as President Judge of the Superior Court.

Staying current with cases, reaching out with community court sessions and continuing legal seminars to assist lawyers as well as making our decisions available to the public via the internet have been priorities as President Judge, and I have outstanding, hard-working colleagues on the Superior Court who make it much easier for me to meet my responsibilities as President Judge.

Fortunately, I have had the opportunity to serve on the Superior Court with four of the six current Supreme Court Justices and consider all six personal friends, and if confirmed, the transition between courts should go well.

As a former member of the PA House of Representatives, I understand appreciate and have great respect for the legislative process, and will reserve further comment until I meet with the Senate Judiciary Committee."



Superior Court President Judge Correale F. Stevens is a graduate of Penn State University and the Dickinson School of Law, where he served as associate editor of the Dickinson Law Review.

Elected to the statewide appellate Superior Court in 1997, he had served eight years as an elected member of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives, was elected District Attorney of Luzerne County and also served seven years as a trial judge after winning both nominations.

In 2011 he began a five year term as President Judge, chosen unanimously by his colleagues.

As President Judge he has held court sessions in Pennsylvania communities and on law school and high school campuses and has encouraged public understanding of the judicial system. He has established a public information link on the Superior Court website.

He has received numerous civic awards and was honored by the Dickinson Law School Alumni Association for his service in the Judiciary.

PJ Stevens teaches Criminal Justice and American Government at Penn State-Hazleton and regularly participates in Continuing Legal Education programs for the state and local bar associations as well as for community groups.

Recently he has participated in a legal education series on the Pennsylvania Cable Network.

He completed an Outward Bound Adventure Program and is an avid hiker and runner.

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