Chief Justice J. Brewster McCollum

1832-1903

Term

January 7, 1889-1903; Chief Justice, August 16, 1900-October 4, 1903

Education

- Franklin Academy, 1851-1853
- State and National Law School, Poughkeepsie, NY, LL.B., 1854

Professional Experience

- Private Practice with R. B. Little, Montrose, PA, 1854-1855
- Admitted to Susquehanna County bar, August 1855
- Private Practice under William B. Plate, Illinois, 1855-1856
- Editor and Publisher, Montrose Democrat, August 1856-January 1858
- Private Practice, 1858-1878: With Nathan Newton, 1858-1860; with Daniel Searle, 1860-August 1862; Sole practitioner, 1862-1867; with Albert Chamberlain, 1867-1871; with A. H. McCollum, 1871-1878
- Elected President Judge, 34th Judicial District (Susquehanna County), 1878
- President Judge, 34th Judicial District, (Susquehanna County) 1879-1888
- Elected, Justice, Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, 1888; commissioned December 18, 1888
- Died in Office, October 4, 1903

Memberships and Associations

• Chair, Susquehanna Democratic County Committee

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