



NORTH CAROLINA CHIEF JUSTICE MARK MARTIN'S COMMISSION ON THE ADMINISTRATION OF LAW AND JUSTICE

Chief Justice Mark Martin announced on May 27 the creation of a new North Carolina Commission on the Administration of Law and Justice and appointed the committee co-chairs. As mentioned in his [2015 State of the Judiciary address](#) in March, Chief Justice Martin will charge the multi-disciplinary commission to undertake a comprehensive evaluation of our judicial system and to make recommendations for strengthening our courts within the existing administrative framework.

[Chief Justice Martin](#) has appointed the commission's co-chairs, who will focus on five areas of inquiry: criminal investigation and adjudication, civil justice, technology and its application to our courts, the future of legal services, and public trust and confidence.

CHAIR

North Carolina Chief Justice Mark Martin

CO-CHAIR APPOINTMENTS

Catharine Arrowood

President, North Carolina Bar Association

Catharine serves as the 120th president of the North Carolina Bar Association since being installed in 2014. She practices law in Raleigh with Parker Poe Adams & Bernstein LLP, as a partner since 1982 and joined the firm in 1977. Previously, she served as an associate attorney general for the N.C. Department of Justice. She served on the NCBA Board of Governors from 2007 to 2010 and as chair of the Women in the Profession Committee from 2004-06. She is a past president of the Wake County Bar Association and the 10th Judicial District Bar.

Justice Barbara Jackson

Associate Justice, Supreme Court of North Carolina

Justice Jackson serves as an associate justice of the Supreme Court of North Carolina since elected in 2010. She previously served as a Court of Appeals judge from 2004 to 2010. Prior to becoming a judge, she was general counsel, North Carolina Department of Labor; an associate at a private firm; deputy general counsel, North Carolina Governor's Advocacy Council for Persons with Disabilities; assistant general counsel and Legal Counsel to Governor James G. Martin; and Research Assistant to the

Honorable Burley B. Mitchell, Jr. She is a recipient of the Order of the Long Leaf Pine and fellow of the North Carolina Institute of Political Leadership. She currently serves on the N.C. Courts Commission, the Appellate Judges Education Institute Program Committee, the N.C. Bar Association Administration of Justice Committee, and the Wake County Bar Association Bench and Bar Committee.

David Levi

Dean, Duke University School of Law

David serves as the 14th dean of Duke University School of Law since 2007, and as a professor of law. Previously, he was the Chief United States District Judge for the Eastern District of California. He was appointed U.S. Attorney by President Ronald Reagan in 1986, and a U.S. district judge by President George H.W. Bush in 1990. He has served as a law clerk to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, and to Justice Lewis F. Powell, Jr., of the U.S. Supreme Court. He was appointed by the chief justice as chair of two Judicial Conference committees: the Civil Rules Advisory Committee (2000 – 2003) and the Standing Committee on the Rules of Practice and Procedure (2003 – 2007, 2009 – 2012). He served on the board of directors of Equal Justice Works from 2010 to 2013, and appointed in 2014 as chair of the American Bar Association's Standing Committee on the American Judicial System.

William Webb

Retired Magistrate Judge, United State District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina

Judge Webb is a retired magistrate judge after serving 14 years for the U.S. District Court's Eastern District of North Carolina. Prior to his appointment in 1999, he was the federal public defender for the Eastern District Court of North Carolina. Previously, he served as deputy secretary and general counsel for the N.C. Department of Crime Control and Public Safety from 1989 to 1993, and was the first chief of the organized crime and drug enforcement task force in the U.S. Attorney's office in Raleigh. He has extensive appellate experience and is certified as a federal mediator in all three North Carolina districts and a certified superior court mediator.

Brad Wilson

President and CEO, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of North Carolina

Brad serves as president and CEO of the state's largest health insurer. He is also a director of the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association, America's Health Insurance Plans (AHIP) and BCS Financial Corporation. He is immediate past chair of the National Institute for Health Care Management. He chairs the Blue Cross and Blue Shield of North Carolina Foundation. He is also a board member of the Research Triangle Regional Partnership and a past chair of the University of North Carolina Board Of Governors. Previously, he practiced law and served as general counsel to Gov. Jim Hunt, directing the governor's legislative strategy and heading his legal department.