

FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA
COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
JUDICIAL CHAMBERS



PAUL P. PANEPINTO
JUDGE

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Judge and Team Leader in the Civil Trial Section, Motions Court and Statutory Appeals Program in the Court of Common Pleas, Philadelphia County.

Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Day Forward 2007 Team Program, May 2007-May 2010.

Coordinating Judge of the Complex Litigation Center, Civil Division, January 2006-May 2007. Oversaw mass tort claims filed in Philadelphia each year, as well as instituted policies and programs which disposed of large numbers of cases.

Appointed by the Governor of Pa., Honorable Edward Rendell, to a four-year term effective August, 2003 as a member of the State Court of Judicial Discipline with jurisdiction over the conduct of all Justices and Judges in Pa.

Retained for 2nd ten year term commencing January 7, 2002.

Administrative Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Philadelphia County, Family Court Division. Appointed by the Supreme Court April 1, 1996 to December 22, 2000.

Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Philadelphia County. Elected November 5, 1991 for ten year term, commencing January 6, 1992.

Appointed Common Pleas Judge and confirmed by Pa. Senate on June 11, 1990. Sworn in on June 25, 1990.

Family Court - Court of Common Pleas – served in various positions 1971-1990.

U.S. District Court of the Eastern District of Pennsylvania (January 1978).

Admitted to Practice of Law: Pennsylvania Bar (1977); New Jersey Bar (1977).

Practicing Pennsylvania and New Jersey Attorney at Law (1977-1990).

U.S. District Court for District of New Jersey (November 1977).

Admitted to the Supreme Court of USA (March 1997).

EDUCATION

Villanova University Graduate School (September 1979). Received M.A. in Political Science.

Widener University School of Law (1972-1976). Received Juris Doctor Degree.

Villanova University (1967-1971). Received B.A. in Political Science.

St. Thomas More High School (1963-1967). Received Diploma and full academic scholarship to Villanova University.

ORGANIZATION MEMBERSHIPS AND ACTIVITIES

- Philadelphia and Pennsylvania Bar Association
- Lawyers' Club of Philadelphia
- Justinian Society – Appointed *Ex Officio* member of the Board of Governors
- National Italian American Bar Association Member
- Order of Sons of Italy in America Roxborough Lodge #2217 Past President (2003-2007)
- Member of Knights of Columbus Cora Marie Council
- Widener University School of Law Alumni and Board Member of Executive Council
- Appointed Co-Chair of the Philadelphia Do the Write Thing Committee and Pa. State Chair under the direction of the National Campaign to Stop Violence
- Member of the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges and elected National Trustee and Board Member (July 2001-2007)

PUBLISHED ARTICLE

- May 2009 published article authored by Judge Paul P. Panepinto in Widener Law Journal, “**The Trial Judge As The CEO**”, Vol. 18 Widener L.J. 499 (2009), Number 2.

AWARDS

- *Chapel of Four Chaplains* - Legion of Honor Member (April 25, 1982).
- *Outstanding Alumnus of the Year Award*, Widener University School of Law (1994).
- *Justinian Society Award* (June 20, 1996).
- *Columbus Civic Association of PA, Inc.* (October 13, 1997).
- Citizens Crime Commission South/Southwest Chapter - *Police Partnership Probation Award* (Feb. 27, 1998).
- Recipient of *Philadelphia Bar Association Award* presented on October 8, 1998 for outstanding service to the administration of justice in the First Judicial District of Pennsylvania

as Administrative Judge for the Family Court Division of the Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas.

- Recipient of *Philadelphia Bar Association Family Law Section Award* presented on December 16, 1998 in recognition of the many contributions and achievements to the Family Division of the Court of Common Pleas.
- Recipient of *Marvin E. Wolfgang Award* presented on August 17, 1999 for dedication to justice and the well being of children in Philadelphia Family Court by Philadelphia CASA of The Juvenile Justice Center of Pa.
- Recipient of *We the People Ethnics Award* presented on October 22, 1999 by Philadelphia Exclusive in recognition of Patriotic Endeavors and Contributions aimed at creating a better America for all in the same spirit sanctioned in the National Constitution in 1787.
- Recipient of *Man of the Year Award* presented on November 14, 1999 by the Sons of Italy Roxborough Lodge #2217.
- Recipient of the *Commission For Social Justice Award* presented on April 9, 2000 by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania Order Sons of Italy in America.
- Recipient of the "*Person of the Year*" Award presented on April 22, 2000 by the Custodes Pacis Lodge #2085.
- Recipient of Intercommunity Action, Inc. (Interac) *Community Appreciation Award* for outstanding contributions toward improving the lives of Philadelphia's children at risk presented on October 4, 2000.
- *Honoree* for the Columbus Day Celebration by the Columbus Civic Association of Pa. on October 9, 2000.
- Recipient of *Achievement Award* presented by the Order Sons of Italy in America, Commonwealth Lodge #1949, on September 25, 2001, in recognition of courage to overcome the problems of the Family Court System with dedicated determination and the implementation of a successful Model Court Process, assisting families and children at risk.
- November 7, 2002 Recipient of Juvenile Court Judges' Commission Award in Recognition of *Outstanding Service to Pennsylvania's Juvenile Justice System.*
- March 2003 *Awards of Recognition* by Honorable Donald L. Carcieri, Governor of the State of Rhode Island and Honorable Patrick Lynch, Attorney General of the State of Rhode Island in recognition of the instrumental role and efforts in the establishment of a model for a Truancy Court program and dedication to truancy prevention on a national level.
- June 2005 nominated and awarded the prestigious Italian recognition of "*Cavaliere*" by the Consul General of Italy for significant contribution to the Republic of Italy in both personal and professional life.