

**RATINGS OF ARTICLE III JUDICIAL NOMINEES**  
**105<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS**  
(1997-1998)

**Key to ABA Rating**

WQ = Well Qualified; Q = Qualified; NQ = Not Qualified; sm = substantial majority; m = majority; min = minority  
**Circuit court nominees are printed in bold.**

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**105TH CONGRESS - FIRST SESSION**

<b>DATE NOMINATED</b>	<b>NAME OF NOMINEE</b>	<b>COURT TO WHICH NOMINATED</b>	<b>ABA RATING</b>
1/7/97	<b>Clay, Eric Lee (MI)</b>	<b>Sixth Circuit</b>	WQ
1/7/97	<b>Garland, Merrick B. (MD)</b>	<b>DC Circuit</b>	WQ
1/7/97	<b>Fletcher, William A. (CA)</b>	<b>Ninth Circuit</b>	WQ
1/7/97	<b>Paez, Richard A. (CA)</b>	<b>Ninth Circuit</b>	WQ <sup>sm</sup> /Q <sup>min</sup>
1/7/97	<b>McKeown, Mary Margaret (WA)</b>	<b>Ninth Circuit</b>	WQ
1/7/97	<b>Gajarsa, Arthur Joseph (MD)</b>	<b>Federal Circuit</b>	Q 1 abstention
1/7/97	<b>Beaty, James A. Jr. (NC)</b>	<b>Fourth Circuit</b>	WQ
1/7/97	Aiken, Ann Louise	USDC: District of Oregon	Q
1/7/97	Bataillon, Joseph F.	USDC: District of Nebraska	Q
1/7/97	Kollar-Kotelly, Colleen	USDC: District of the District of Columbia	WQ
1/7/97	Lazzara, Richard Allen	USDC: Middle District of Florida	WQ
1/7/97	Middlebrooks, Donald M.	USDC: Southern District of Florida	WQ
1/7/97	Miller, Jeffrey T.	USDC: Southern District of California	Q <sup>sm</sup> /WQ <sup>min</sup>
1/7/97	Mollway, Susan Oki	USDC: District of Hawaii	WQ <sup>sm</sup> /Q <sup>min</sup>
1/7/97	Morrow, Margaret M.	USDC: Central District of California	WQ
1/7/97	Pratt, Robert W.	USDC: Southern District of Iowa	Q
1/7/97	Snyder, Christina A.	USDC: Central District of California	Q

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1/7/97	Sundram, Clarence J.	USDC: Northern District of New York	Q <sup>sm</sup> /NQ <sup>min</sup>
1/7/97	Thrash, Thomas W.	USDC: Northern District of Georgia	WQ <sup>sm</sup> /Q <sup>min</sup>
1/7/97	<b>Rendell, Marjorie O. (PA)</b>	<b>Third Circuit</b>	WQ
1/7/97	<b>White, Helene N. (MI)</b>	<b>Sixth Circuit</b>	Q <sup>sm</sup> /NQ <sup>min</sup>
2/12/97	Gold, Alan S.	USDC: Southern District of Florida	WQ
2/12/97	Ishii, Anthony Wayne	USDC: Eastern District of California	WQ <sup>sm</sup> /Q <sup>min</sup>
2/12/97	Lasry, Lynne R.	USDC: Southern District of California	WQ <sup>sm</sup> /Q <sup>min</sup>
2/12/97	Lemelle, Ivan L.R.	USDC: Eastern District of Louisiana	Q
3/21/97	Rodriguez-Rodriguez, Anabelle	USDC: District of Puerto Rico	Q
3/21/97	Schattman, Michael D.	USDC: Northern District of Texas	Q
3/21/97	Tagle, Hilda G.	USDC: Southern District of Texas	Q
5/15/97	Kennedy, Henry H. Jr.	USDC: District of the District of Columbia	WQ
5/15/97	Sippel, Rodney W.	USDC: Eastern & Western Districts of Missouri	Q
6/5/97	Chambers, Robert C.	USDC: Southern District of West Virginia	Q <sup>m</sup> /WQ <sup>min</sup>
6/5/97	Droney, Christopher F.	USDC: District of Connecticut	Q
6/5/97	Hall, Janet C.	USDC: District of Connecticut	WQ
6/5/97	Hayden, Katharine Sweeney	USDC: District of New Jersey	WQ
6/18/97	<b>Hull, Frank Mays (GA)</b>	<b>Eleventh Circuit</b>	WQ
6/25/97	<b>Sotomayor, Sonia (NY)</b>	<b>Second Circuit</b>	WQ <sup>sm</sup> /Q <sup>min</sup>
6/25/97	Friedman, Jerome B.	USDC: Eastern District of Virginia	WQ
6/25/97	White, Ronnie L.	USDC: Eastern District of Missouri	Q
6/25/97	<b>Ware, James (CA)</b>	<b>Ninth Circuit</b>	WQ
7/15/97	Siragusa, Charles J.	USDC: Western District of New York	WQ
7/15/97	Young, Richard L.	USDC: Southern District of Indiana	WQ <sup>sm</sup> /Q <sup>min</sup>
7/16/97	Casey, Richard C.	USDC: Southern District of New York	Q <sup>sm</sup> /NQ <sup>min</sup>
7/16/97	<b>Gilman, Ronald Lee (TN)</b>	<b>Sixth Circuit</b>	WQ
7/24/97	Breyer, Charles R.	USDC: Northern District of California	WQ

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7/24/97	Damrell, Frank C. Jr.	USDC: Eastern District of California	WQ <sup>sm</sup> /Q <sup>min</sup>
7/24/97	Jenkins, Martin J.	USDC: Northern District of California	WQ
7/24/97	<b>Rangel, Jorge C. (TX)</b>	<b>Fifth Circuit</b>	WQ <sup>m</sup> /Q <sup>min</sup>
7/30/97	<b>Graber, Susan Pia (OR)</b>	<b>Ninth Circuit</b>	WQ
7/31/97	Caputo, A. Richard	USDC: Middle District of Pennsylvania	Q <sup>sm</sup> /WQ <sup>min</sup>
7/31/97	Murphy, G. Patrick	USDC: Southern District of Illinois	Q <sup>sm</sup> /WQ <sup>min</sup>
7/31/97	Moreno, Carlos R.	USDC: Central District of California	WQ <sup>sm</sup> /Q <sup>min</sup>
7/31/97	McCuskey, Michael Patrick	USDC: Central District of Illinois	WQ
7/31/97	Roberts, Victoria A.	USDC: Eastern District of Michigan	WQ <sup>sm</sup> /Q <sup>min</sup>
7/31/97	Massiah-Jackson, Frederica A.	USDC: Eastern District of Pennsylvania	Q <sup>sm</sup> /WQ <sup>min</sup>
7/31/97	Kauffman, Bruce W.	USDC: Eastern District of Pennsylvania	WQ <sup>sm</sup> /Q <sup>min</sup>
7/31/97	Bingler, John H. Jr.	USDC: Western District of Pennsylvania	WQ
7/31/97	Gwin, James S.	USDC: Northern District of Ohio	WQ <sup>sm</sup> /Q <sup>min</sup>
7/31/97	Colman, Jeffrey D.	USDC: Northern District of Illinois	WQ
7/31/97	Pallmeyer, Rebecca R.	USDC: Northern District of Illinois	Q
7/31/97	Polster, Dan A.	USDC: Northern District of Ohio	WQ <sup>sm</sup> /Q <sup>min</sup>
7/31/97	Marbley, Algenon L.	USDC: Southern District of Ohio	Q <sup>m</sup> /WQ <sup>min</sup>
9/4/97	Kimball, Dale A.	USDC: District of Utah	WQ
9/4/97	Shea, Edward F.	USDC: Eastern District of Washington	Q
9/8/97	Adelman, Lynn S.	USDC: Eastern District of Wisconsin	Q
9/8/97	Fogel, Jeremy D.	USDC: Northern District of California	WQ <sup>sm</sup> /Q <sup>min</sup>
9/15/97	Story, Richard W.	USDC: Northern District of Georgia	WQ <sup>m</sup> /Q <sup>min</sup>
9/24/97	Tarnow, Arthur J.	USDC: Eastern District of Michigan	Q <sup>sm</sup> /NQ <sup>min</sup>
9/24/97	Steeh, Geroge C. III	USDC: Eastern District of Michigan	WQ <sup>m</sup> /Q <sup>min</sup>
9/25/97	<b>Marcus, Stanley (FL)</b>	<b>Eleventh Circuit</b>	WQ <sup>sm</sup> /Q <sup>min</sup>
10/8/97	King, Garr Michael	USDC: District of Oregon	Q <sup>sm</sup> /WQ <sup>min</sup>
10/8/97	Moon, Norman	USDC: Western District of Virginia	WQ <sup>sm</sup> /Q <sup>min</sup>

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10/20/97	<b>Lipez, Kermit (ME)</b>	<b>First Circuit</b>	WQ <sup>sm</sup> /Q <sup>min</sup>
10/20/97	Matz, A. Howard	USDC: Central District of California	WQ <sup>sm</sup> /Q <sup>min</sup>
11/6/97	<b>Pooler, Rosemary S. (NY)</b>	<b>Second Circuit</b>	Q
11/6/97	<b>Sack, Robert D. (NY)</b>	<b>Second Circuit</b>	Q
11/7/97	Dawson, Robert T.	USDC: Western District of Arkansas	Q
11/8/97	<b>Gould, Ronald M. (WA)</b>	<b>Ninth Circuit</b>	WQ <sup>m</sup> /Q <sup>min</sup> minority abstained
11/8/97	<b>Silverman, Barry G. (AZ)</b>	<b>Ninth Circuit</b>	Q
11/8/97	Lindsay, Sam A.	USDC: Northern District of Texas	Q

### 105TH CONGRESS - SECOND SESSION

DATE NOMINATED	NAME OF NOMINEE	COURT TO WHICH NOMINATED	ABA RATING
1/27/98	<b>Kelly, John David (ND)</b>	<b>Eighth Circuit</b>	Q
1/27/98	<b>Berzon, Marsha S. (CA)</b>	<b>Ninth Circuit</b>	WQ <sup>sm</sup> /Q <sup>min</sup>
1/27/98	<b>Wardlaw, Kim McLane (CA)</b>	<b>Ninth Circuit</b>	Q
1/27/98	Barzilay, Judith (NJ)	Court of International Trade	Q
1/27/98	Ridgway, Delissa Ann (DC)	Court of International Trade	WQ <sup>sm</sup> /Q <sup>min</sup> 1 abstention
1/27/98	Dimitrouleas, William P.	USDC: Southern District of Florida	WQ <sup>sm</sup> /Q <sup>min</sup>
1/27/98	James, Robert G.	USDC: Western District of Louisiana	Q
1/27/98	Klein, James W.	USDC: District of the District of Columbia	Q <sup>sm</sup> /NQ <sup>min</sup>
1/27/98	Mickle, Stephan P.	USDC: Northern District of Florida	Q <sup>sm</sup> /NQ <sup>min</sup>
1/27/98	Rawlinson, Johnnie B.	USDC: District of Nevada	Q
1/27/98	Roberts, Richard W.	USDC: District of the District of Columbia	Q
1/27/98	Sleet, Gregory M.	USDC: District of Delaware	WQ or Q <sup>sm</sup> / NQ <sup>min</sup>
2/11/98	<b>Straub, Chester John (NY)</b>	<b>Second Circuit</b>	Q
3/31/98	Manella, Nora M.	USDC: Central District of California	WQ

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4/1/98	<b>Dyk, Timothy Belcher (DC)</b>	<b>Federal Circuit</b>	Q
4/2/98	Tyson, Ralph E. Sr.	USDC: Middle District of Louisiana	Q
4/2/98	Scott, Jeanne E.	USDC: Central District of Illinois	Q
4/23/98	Freedberg, Robert A.	USDC: Eastern District of Pennsylvania	WQ <sup>sm</sup> /Q <sup>min</sup>
4/23/98	Herndon, David R.	USDC: Southern District of Illinois	Q
4/29/98	Norton, Lynette	USDC: Western District of Pennsylvania	WQ <sup>m</sup> /Q <sup>min</sup>
4/29/98	Stark, Jeffrey G. (NY)	Court of International Trade	Q <sup>m</sup> /WQ <sup>min</sup>
5/11/98	Collins, Raner C.	USDC: District of Arizona	Q <sup>m</sup> /WQ <sup>min</sup>
5/11/98	Lasnik, Robert S.	USDC: Western District of Washington	Q <sup>sm</sup> /WQ <sup>min</sup>
5/11/98	Phillips, Virginia A.	USDC: Central District of California	WQ <sup>m</sup> /Q <sup>min</sup>
5/15/98	Hellerstein, Alvin K.	USDC: Southern District of New York	WQ <sup>sm</sup> /Q <sup>min</sup>
5/19/98	Barbier, Carl J.	USDC: Eastern District of Louisiana	Q
5/21/98	Berman, Richard M.	USDC: Southern District of New York	Q
5/21/98	Frank, Donovan W.	USDC: District of Minnesota	Q
5/21/98	McMahon, Colleen	USDC: Southern District of New York	WQ <sup>sm</sup> /Q <sup>min</sup>
5/21/98	Pauley, William H. III	USDC: Southern District of New York	WQ <sup>m</sup> /Q <sup>min</sup>
5/22/98	Lee, Gerald Bruce	USDC: Eastern District of Virginia	Q
5/22/98	Seitz, Patricia A.	USDC: Southern District of Florida	Q
6/4/98	Kane, Yvette	USDC: Middle District of Pennsylvania	Q <sup>m</sup> /NQ <sup>min</sup>
6/4/98	Munley, James M.	USDC: Middle District of Pennsylvania	Q
6/4/98	Whelan, Thomas J.	USDC: Southern District of California	Q
6/5/98	<b>Raymar, Robert S. (NJ)</b>	<b>Third Circuit</b>	Q
6/24/98	<b>Goode, Barry P. (CA)</b>	<b>Ninth Circuit</b>	Q
6/24/98	<b>King, Robert Bruce (WV)</b>	<b>Fourth Circuit</b>	WQ <sup>sm</sup> /Q <sup>min</sup>
6/25/98	Carter, David O.	USDC: Central District of California	Q
7/9/98	<b>Traxler, William B. Jr. (SC)</b>	<b>Fourth Circuit</b>	WQ
7/30/98	Davis, Legrome D.	USDC: Eastern District of Pennsylvania	Q <sup>m</sup> /WQ <sup>min</sup>

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8/31/98	Buttram, Horace Dean Jr.	USDC: Northern District of Alabama	Q <sup>sm</sup> /NQ <sup>min</sup>
8/31/98	Johnson, Inge Prytz	USDC: Northern District of Alabama	Q
9/9/98	Seymour, Margaret B.	USDC: District of South Carolina	WQ
9/16/98	Hibbler, William J.	USDC: Northern District of Illinois	Q
9/16/98	Kennelly, Matthew F.	USDC: Northern District of Illinois	WQ
9/22/98	Trauger, Aleta A.	USDC: Middle District of Tennessee	WQ
9/28/98	Munson, Alex R.	USDC: District of the Northern Mariana Islands	WQ
10/5/98	Mordue, Norman A.	USDC: Northern District of New York	Q <sup>sm</sup> /WQ <sup>min</sup>