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EOIR Announces 11 Immigration Judges and 25 Temporary Immigration Judges

FALLS CHURCH, Va. – The Executive Office for Immigration Review (EOIR) announced today the investiture of 11 immigration judges and 25 temporary immigration judges who joined immigration courts in California, Connecticut, Florida, Illinois, Indiana, Louisiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, Missouri, New York, North Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Virginia, and Washington.

Director Daren K. Margolin delivered remarks and Acting Chief Immigration Judge Teresa L. Riley administered the oath of office during the investiture, which was held today at EOIR Headquarters in Falls Church, Virginia.

EOIR is restoring its integrity as a preeminent administrative adjudicatory agency. These new immigration judges are joining an immigration judge corps that is committed to upholding the rule of law.

After a thorough application process, Attorney General Pamela Bondi appointed Jacob Teichman Addicott, Jonathan Charles Andresen, Matthew Charles Beese, Gary Leroy Bergosh, Attila Bogdan, Kevin Newton Buras, Roman Marian Chaban, Scott V. Greenbaum, Nicholas B. Lucic, Ryan Thompson, and Jesus Juan Ybarra to their new positions as immigration judges, and Matthew N. Andrasko, Justin D. Bennett, Robert J. Boudreau, Gabriel K. Bradley, Barbara Corkery, Bryan M. Davis, Christopher R. Day, C. Brent Dishman, Robin Donato, Oren Gleich, David. J. Green, Jared L. Grimmer, Joshua Hawkes, Michael F. Hayden, James R. Holden, Michael J. Hussey, Jacob R. Marshall, Steven Paul Meredith, Kyle V. Mitchell, Phoebe D. Riner, Jared Seth Robinson, Sujata M. Rodgers, Jason R. Smith, Jason David Thomas, and Traci Lee Cox Winder to their new positions as temporary immigration judges.

Biographical information for the newly appointed immigration judges and temporary immigration judges follows:

Jacob Teichman Addicott, Immigration Judge, New York – Broadway Immigration Court

Jacob Teichman Addicott was appointed as an immigration judge to begin hearing cases in October 2025. Judge Addicott earned a Bachelor of Science in 2004 from

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Florida International University and a Juris Doctor in 2013 from Florida International University College of Law. From 2016 to 2025, he served as an assistant chief counsel with the Office of the Principal Legal Advisor, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Department of Homeland Security, in Miami (2016-2018) and New York City (2018-2025), where he also served as legal counsel to Homeland Security Investigations, New York. From 2013 to 2016, he served as an assistant attorney general for the Florida Office of the Attorney General, Criminal Appeals Division. Judge Addicott is a member of the Florida Bar.

Jonathan Charles Andresen, Immigration Judge, Houston – S. Gessner Road Immigration Court

Jonathan Charles Andresen was appointed as an immigration judge to begin hearing cases in October 2025. Judge Andresen earned a Bachelor of Science in 2000 from Texas A&M University and a Juris Doctorate in 2004 from South Texas College of Law. From 2020 to 2025, he served as an assistant chief counsel with the Office of the Principal Legal Advisor, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Department of Homeland Security, in Houston. From 2004 to 2020, he was in private practice in Houston. Judge Andresen is a member of the State Bar of Texas.

Matthew Charles Beese, Immigration Judge, Chicago Immigration Court

Matthew Charles Beese was appointed as an immigration judge to begin hearing cases in October 2025. Judge Beese earned an Associate of Arts in 1992 from Northeastern Oklahoma A&M, a Bachelor of Science in Education in 1996 from Missouri Southern State College, and a Juris Doctor in 2002 from Northern Illinois University College of Law. From 2022 to 2025, he served as an administrative law judge with the Oklahoma Corporation Commission. From 2018 to 2022, he served as the municipal judge for the Town of Okay, Oklahoma. From 2010 to 2022, he served as deputy city attorney for Muskogee, Oklahoma. Judge Beese is a member of the Oklahoma Bar.

Gary Leroy Bergosh, Immigration Judge, New Orleans Immigration Court

Gary Leroy Bergosh was appointed as an immigration judge to begin hearing cases in October 2025. Judge Bergosh earned an Associates of Arts in 1987 from Pensacola State College, a Bachelor of Arts in 1989 from the University of West Florida, and a Juris Doctor in 1992 from the University of Memphis. From 2024 to 2025, he served as a Department of Homeland Security attorney teaching law to Border Patrol agents at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center in Artesia, New Mexico, and handling immigration cases before EOIR in El Paso, Texas. From 2007 to 2024, he served as a Florida circuit court judge for the First Judicial Circuit of Florida in Pensacola. From 1996 until 2007, he served as a senior civilian attorney with the General Counsel's Office for the Department of Defense and the Department of the Navy and was an assistant state attorney in Pensacola. From 1989 to 2013, he served on active and reserve duty with the U.S. Marine Corps, and in 2003, was the executive officer of the 4th Assault Amphibian Battalion in Iraq. Judge Bergosh is a member of the Florida Bar.

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Attila Bogdan, Immigration Judge, Dallas Immigration Court

Attila Bogdan was appointed as an immigration judge to begin hearing cases in October 2025. Judge Bogdan earned a Bachelor of Arts in 1996 from Whitworth University in Spokane, Washington, and a Juris Doctorate and a Master of Business Administration in 1999 and 2000, respectively, from DePaul University in Chicago. From 2023 to 2025, he was an assistant U.S. attorney at the U.S. Attorney's Office in Tulsa, Oklahoma. From 2003 to 2023, he served as an assistant state's attorney at the Cook County State's Attorney's Office in Chicago. Since 2008, Judge Bogdan has served as a judge advocate general in the U.S. Air Force and the Wisconsin Air National Guard. He holds the rank of lieutenant colonel. Judge Bogdan is a member of the Illinois State Bar.

Kevin Newton Buras, Immigration Judge, Houston – Jefferson Street Immigration Court

Kevin Newton Buras was appointed as an immigration judge to begin hearing cases in October 2025. Judge Buras earned a Bachelor of Arts in 1991 from the University of Texas, Austin, and a Juris Doctor in 2001 from South Texas College of Law Houston. From 2019 to 2025, he served as an assistant chief counsel with the Office of the Principal Legal Advisor, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Department of Homeland Security (DHS) in Houston, where he was a national security designated attorney. From 2011 to 2019, he served as an asylum officer and then senior asylum officer at the Houston Asylum Office, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, DHS. From 2007 to 2010, he was in private practice. From 2004 to 2007, he served as an assistant criminal district attorney in Galveston County, Texas. Judge Buras deployed twice to Afghanistan as an Army engineer and retired from the Army Reserve as a colonel in 2020. Judge Buras is a member of the State Bar of Texas.

Roman Marian Chaban, Immigration Judge, Hyattsville Immigration Court

Roman Marian Chaban was appointed as an immigration judge to begin hearing cases in October 2025. Judge Chaban earned a Bachelor of Arts in 1998 from the University of Notre Dame, a Juris Doctor in 2002 from Villanova University School of Law, and a Master of Laws, with distinction, in 2005 from the Georgetown University Law Center. From 2020 to 2025, he served in various roles at EOIR including: senior counsel, then acting deputy director, Office of the Director (2025); counsel to the assistant director, Office of Policy (2023-2025); senior counsel, Office of the Chief Immigration Judge (2021-2023); and senior counsel to the EOIR director (2020-2021). While assigned to the Office of Policy, he served on a detail at the War Crimes Accountability Team, Office of Human Rights and Special Prosecutions, Criminal Division, Department of Justice (DOJ), where he focused on war crimes in Ukraine. From 2019 to 2020, he served as a senior counsel to the principal legal advisor, Office of the Principal Legal Advisor (OPLA), U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), Department of Homeland Security (DHS), in Washington, D.C. From 2017 to 2019, he served as an associate legal advisor at the National Security Law Section, OPLA, ICE, DHS, in Washington, D.C. From 2014 to 2017, he served as the associate director for the Office of Career and Professional Development at The Catholic University of America, Columbus School of Law. From 2007 to 2014, he served as a trial attorney with the Office of International Affairs, Criminal Division, DOJ, entering on duty through the Attorney General's Honors

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Program. From 2005 to 2006, he served as a law clerk for the Honorable Chief Judge James T. Giles of the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. From 2002 to 2004, he served as a law clerk for the Honorable Magistrate Judge Carol Sandra Moore Wells of the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. Judge Chaban is a member of the New York State Bar.

Scott V. Greenbaum, Immigration Judge, Houston – Jefferson Street Immigration Court

Scott V. Greenbaum was appointed as an immigration judge to begin hearing cases in October 2025. Judge Greenbaum earned a Bachelor of Arts in 1999 from the University of Houston-Clear Lake and a Juris Doctor in 2003 from Thurgood Marshall School of Law. From 2021 to 2025, he was an assistant U.S. attorney with the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Western District of Texas, in Alpine, Texas. From 2018 to 2021, he was an assistant U.S. attorney with the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Texas, in McAllen, Texas. From 2004 to 2018, he served as an assistant district attorney for the State of Texas. In 2016, he was in private practice. Judge Greenbaum is a member of the Texas State Bar.

Nicholas B. Lucic, Immigration Judge, Houston – Jefferson Street Immigration Court

Nicholas B. Lucic was appointed as an immigration judge to begin hearing cases in October 2025. Judge Lucic earned a Bachelor of Science in 2001 from the Georgia Institute of Technology and a Juris Doctor in 2006 from Loyola Law School. From 2016 to 2025, he served as an assistant chief counsel with the Office of the Principal Legal Advisor, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Department of Homeland Security, in Adelanto, California, and Houston, Texas. From 2014 to 2016, he served as an investigator with the Employee Benefits Security Administration, Department of Labor, in Pasadena, California. From 2012 to 2014, he served as an attorney advisor with the Office of Disability Adjudication and Review, Social Security Administration, in Woodlawn, Maryland. From 2008 to 2012, he was in private practice in California. Judge Lucic is a member of the State Bar of California.

Ryan Thompson, Immigration Judge, Memphis Immigration Court

Ryan Thompson was appointed as an immigration judge to begin hearing cases in October 2025. Judge Thompson earned a Bachelor of Arts in 2006 from The Citadel, The Military College of South Carolina, and a Juris Doctor in 2013 from the University of Memphis, Cecil C. Humphrey's School of Law. From 2024 to 2025, he was an assistant chief counsel with the Office of the Principal Legal Advisor, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Department of Homeland Security. From 2014 to 2024, he was an assistant district attorney general at the Shelby County District Attorney General's Office in Memphis, Tennessee, and during this time in 2023, he was a legal advisor for the Memphis Police Department. In 2014 he was in private practice with the Ward Law Firm PLLC in Munford, Tennessee. From 2007 to 2014, he was a Memphis police officer. From 2006 to 2025, Judge Thompson also served with the Tennessee National Guard as a combat medic, intelligence officer, defense counsel, trial counsel and senior defense counsel. During this time from 2017 to 2020, he served with the 194th Engineer

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Brigade and deployed to the Middle East from 2019 to 2020 in support of Operation Spartan Shield, receiving the Meritorious Service Medal and an Army Commendation Medal with "C" Device. Judge Thompson is a member of the Tennessee Bar.

Jesus Juan Ybarra, Immigration Judge, Laredo Immigration Court

Jesus Juan Ybarra was appointed as an immigration judge to begin hearing cases in October 2025. Judge Ybarra earned a Bachelor of Arts in 2005 from the University of Texas at Austin, a Master of Arts in 2007 from the University of Texas at San Antonio, and a Juris Doctor in 2014 from the University of Texas School of Law. In 2025, he served as an assistant chief counsel with the Office of the Principal Legal Advisor (OPLA), U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), Department of Homeland Security (DHS), in Laredo, Texas. From December 2024 to February 2025, he was an immigration judge assigned to the Laredo Immigration Court. From 2018 to 2024, he served as an assistant chief counsel with OPLA, ICE, DHS, in Pearsall, Texas. From 2015 to 2018, he served as a general attorney at the Office of the Chief Counsel, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, DHS, in Laredo, Texas. From 2014 to 2015, he was as an attorney advisor at the San Antonio Immigration Court entering on duty through the Attorney General's Honors Program. From 1997 to 2003, he served on active duty in the U.S. Army as a UH-60 Black Hawk helicopter crew chief and flight instructor (Air Medal), with the 3rd Infantry Division at Hunter Army Airfield, Georgia. Judge Ybarra is a member of the State Bar of Texas.

Matthew N. Andrasko, Temporary Immigration Judge, Salt Lake City Immigration Court

Matthew N. Andrasko was appointed as a temporary immigration judge to begin hearing cases in October 2025. Judge Andrasko earned a Bachelor of Arts in 2002 from Brigham Young University and a Juris Doctorate in 2009 from Texas Tech University School of Law. From 2016 to 2025, he served as an attorney advisor to the U.S. Air Force. From 2011 to 2016, he served as an assistant district attorney at the 9th Judicial District in Eastern New Mexico. From 2009 to 2011, he served as an assistant public defender at the New Mexico Public Defender's Office. Since 2003, Judge Andrasko has been a commissioned military officer in the U.S. Army and then the Air Force Reserves. He holds the rank of lieutenant colonel. Judge Andrasko is a member of the State Bar of New Mexico.

Justin D. Bennett, Temporary Immigration Judge, Hartford Immigration Court

Justin D. Bennett was appointed as a temporary immigration judge to begin hearing cases in October 2025. Judge Bennett earned a Bachelor of Arts in 2007 from Gordon College and a Juris Doctor in 2014 from the Georgetown University Law Center. Upon graduation, he commissioned as an active-duty judge advocate in the U.S. Navy's Judge Advocate General's Corps. Judge Bennett holds the rank of lieutenant commander and has served in the following roles: military justice instructor, Naval Justice School, Newport, Rhode Island (2023-2025), including a temporary detail as a special assistant U.S. attorney for the Northern District of New York, Branch Office Plattsburgh, New York; defense counsel, Defense Service Office (DSO) North, Detachment Groton, Connecticut (2020-2023); prosecutor, Region Legal Service Office

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(RLSO) Northwest, Bremerton, Washington (2017-2020); defense counsel, DSO North, Detachment Naples, Italy (2016-2017); and rotations as a command service attorney, legal assistance attorney, and prosecutor, RLSO Europe, Africa, Southwest Asia (2014-2016). Judge Bennett is a member of the Missouri Bar.

Robert J. Boudreau, Temporary Immigration Judge, Fort Worth Immigration Adjudication Center

Robert J. Boudreau was appointed as a temporary immigration judge to begin hearing cases in October 2025. Judge Boudreau earned a Bachelor of Science in 2004 and a Master of Science in 2005 from the State University of New York at Albany, and a Juris Doctor in 2008 from Boston University School of Law. From 2022 to 2025, he served as a staff attorney with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission in Fort Worth, Texas. From 2018 to 2022, he served as an assistant U.S. attorney for the Northern District of Texas in Fort Worth. From 2015 to 2018, he served as a trial attorney with the Tax Division, Department of Justice in Washington, D.C. From 2011 to 2015, he served as an active-duty judge advocate with the U.S. Marine Corps in Beaufort, South Carolina, and continues to serve in the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve as a military judge, where he holds the rank of lieutenant colonel. From 2008 to 2010, he was an associate attorney with Winston & Strawn LLP in New York. Judge Boudreau is a member of the State Bar of Texas and New York State Bar.

Gabriel K. Bradley, Temporary Immigration Judge, Los Angeles – West Los Angeles Immigration Court

Gabriel K. Bradley was appointed as a temporary immigration judge to begin hearing cases in October 2025. Judge Bradley earned a Bachelor of Arts in 2006 from the University of Oregon, a Juris Doctor in 2009 from the University of Notre Dame, a Master of Arts in 2015 from the U.S. Naval War College, and a Master of Fine Arts in 2020 from the University of Southern California. From 2022 to 2025, he served as a deputy attorney general at the California Department of Justice in Los Angeles. In 2022, he served as a deputy public defender at the Los Angeles County Public Defender's Office in Torrance, California. From 2021 to 2022, he was a trial attorney at Public Defender Services of Lane County in Eugene, Oregon. He holds the rank of lieutenant commander in the Navy Reserve, and since 2016 he has served as a judge advocate in the following locations: Navy Reserve Center San Diego; Naval Base Point Loma; Navy Reserve Center Minneapolis; Naval Base San Diego; and Navy Reserve Center Oklahoma City. From 2009 to 2016, he served on active duty as a judge advocate in the following locations: Naval Base San Diego; Washington Navy Yard; and Naval Air Station Lemoore. Judge Bradley is a member of the State Bar of California and the Oregon State Bar.

Barbara Corkery, Temporary Immigration Judge, Sterling Immigration Court

Barbara Corkery was appointed as a temporary immigration judge to begin hearing cases in October 2025. Judge Corkery earned a Bachelor of Science in 1993 from the University of Maryland at College Park and a Juris Doctor in 1997 from The Catholic University of America. From 2008 to 2025, she served as a patent attorney at the Naval Sea Systems Command, Department of the Navy, Washington Navy Yard. From 2007

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to 2008, she was an associate attorney at Baker & Hostetler. From 2002 to 2006, she was an attorney advisor at the U.S. International Trade Commission in Washington, D.C. In 2001, she was an associate attorney at Morgan Lewis. From 1998 to 2000, she was an associate attorney at Pillsbury Winthrop in Washington, D.C. In 1998, she served as law clerk at the Seventh Judicial Circuit Court of Maryland. Judge Corkery is a member of the District of Columbia Bar, the Maryland State Bar, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Patent Bar, the Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, and the U.S. Supreme Court Bar.

Bryan M. Davis, Temporary Immigration Judge, Annandale Immigration Court

Bryan M. Davis was appointed as a temporary immigration judge to begin hearing cases in October 2025. Judge Davis earned a Bachelor of Arts in 1998 from Bucknell University, a Master of Arts in 2000 from Johns Hopkins University, and a Juris Doctorate in 2007 from the University of Baltimore. Judge Davis has been on active duty in the U.S. Navy since 2007 and holds the rank of commander. Since 2023, he has served as the deputy director for Criminal Law Policy in the Office of the Judge Advocate General, Washington, D.C. From 2020 to 2023, he served as the senior prosecutor at Region Legal Service Office Southwest, San Diego. From 2018 to 2020, he served as officer-in-charge, Defense Service Office (DSO) North, Naples, Italy. From 2015 to 2018, he served as assistant senior defense counsel and senior defense counsel at DSO Southwest, San Diego, California. From 2012 to 2015, he served as a prosecutor with the Office of Military Commissions in Washington, D.C. From 2010 to 2012, he served as defense counsel at Naval Legal Service Office (NLSO), Pensacola, Florida. From 2008 to 2010, he served as defense counsel at NLSO, San Diego. Judge Davis is a member of the Maryland State Bar.

Christopher R. Day, Temporary Immigration Judge, Annandale Immigration Court

Christopher R. Day was appointed as a temporary immigration judge to begin hearing cases in October 2025. Judge Day earned a Bachelor of Arts in 1995 from Colgate University, a Juris Doctor in 1998 from American University, Washington College of Law, and a Master of Laws in 2002 from Georgetown University Law Center. From 2023 to 2025, he served as an associate general counsel with the Office of General Counsel at the Federal Communications Commission. Judge Day also serves as a lieutenant colonel in the U.S. Army Reserve Judge Advocate General's Corps. Judge Day is a member of the District of Columbia Bar and the South Carolina Bar.

C. Brent Dishman, Temporary Immigration Judge, Fort Worth Immigration Adjudication Center

C. Brent Dishman was appointed as a temporary immigration judge to begin hearing cases in October 2025. Judge Dishman earned a Bachelor of Science in 2000 from the U.S. Air Force Academy and a Juris Doctorate in 2005 from the University of Oklahoma College of Law. From 2021 to 2025, he served as a district judge in Oklahoma County, Oklahoma. From 2017 to 2021, he served as Dean of Students at the University of Oklahoma College of Law. He is a reserve Judge Advocate General's Corps officer in the U.S. Air Force, having served as prosecutor, defense counsel, and staff judge advocate at various commands. Judge Dishman served on active duty from 1996 to

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2012, then entered private law practice from 2012 to 2017. Judge Dishman is a member of the Oklahoma Bar.

Robin Donato, Temporary Immigration Judge, Richmond Immigration Adjudication Center

Robin Donato was appointed as a temporary immigration judge to begin hearing cases in October 2025. Judge Donato earned a Bachelor of Arts in 1988 from Princeton University and a Juris Doctor in 1991 from Boston University School of Law. From 2020 to 2025, she served as senior attorney in the Criminal Law Division of Headquarters, Air Force Office of Special Investigations, at Marine Corps Base Quantico, Virginia, while also serving as individual mobilization assistant to the Staff Judge Advocate, Air Force Installation and Mission Support Center, Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, Texas (2023-2025). From 2017 to 2020, she served as legal advisor to the Secretary of the Air Force Personnel Council, Air Force Review Boards Agency, Joint Base Andrews, Maryland. She has served in numerous other positions as an active duty and Reserve Air Force judge advocate during her 21-year military career. From 2001 to 2025, she also worked as a part-time associate with Blume Forte in Chatham, New Jersey. Judge Donato is a member of the New Jersey State Bar and the New York State Bar.

Oren Gleich, Temporary Immigration Judge, New York – Federal Plaza Immigration Court

Oren Gleich was appointed as a temporary immigration judge to begin hearing cases in October 2025. Judge Gleich earned a Bachelor of Arts in 2000 from the State University of New York at Binghamton and a Juris Doctor in 2006 from the Georgetown University Law Center. From 2023 to 2025, he served as a senior trial counsel with the New York Regional Office of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. From 2018 to 2023, he served as an assistant U.S. attorney for the Eastern District of New York in Brooklyn and Central Islip, New York. From 2016 to 2018, he mobilized as a defense counsel for the U.S. Army's Judge Advocate General's (JAG) Corps Reserve in Fort Bragg, North Carolina. From 2011 to 2016, he served as an assistant district attorney at the New York County District Attorney's Office. From 2007 to 2011, he served on active duty as a judge advocate in the U.S. Army JAG Corps in Camp Casey, South Korea, and Vilseck, Germany. Since 2011, Judge Gleich has continued to serve in the U.S. Army Reserve JAG Corps and currently holds the rank of lieutenant colonel and most recently assigned as a military judge. Judge Gleich is a member of the New York State Bar.

David J. Green, Temporary Immigration Judge, Fort Worth Immigration Adjudication Center

David J. Green was appointed as a temporary immigration judge to begin hearing cases in October 2025. Judge Green earned a Bachelor of Arts in 1993 from Michigan State University, a Juris Doctor in 2001 from North Carolina Central University, a Master of Business Administration in 2006 from Auburn University, a Master of Strategic Studies in 2021 from the U.S. Army War College, and a Master of Laws in 2022 from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. From 2018 to 2025, he served at the U.S. Embassy Jerusalem as director, U.S. Security Coordinator, Security Justice Advisory Directorate (2024-2025); senior legal advisor – individual mobilization augmentee, for the U.S.

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Special Operations Command (2022-2023), staff judge advocate (general counsel) for the 36th Infantry Division (2019-2022), and the staff judge advocate for the Special Operations Joint Task Force – Operation Inherent Resolve (2018-2019) during the defeat of the physical caliphate of ISIS in Syria. Judge Green has served over 25 years as a commissioned officer in the U.S. Army, currently holding the rank of colonel. He started as an infantry officer in the 1-119th Infantry Battalion (1998), and he has been deployed eight times in combat/conflict zones. He has been awarded the Combat Action Badge and the Bronze Star Medal. Judge Green is a member of the North Carolina Bar, the State Bar of Texas, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces Bar of the Court, and the U.S. Supreme Court Bar.

Jared L. Grimmer, Temporary Immigration Judge, Kansas City Immigration Court

Jared L. Grimmer was appointed as a temporary immigration judge to begin hearing cases in October 2025. Judge Grimmer earned a Bachelor of Science in 1995 from Southwest Missouri State University (now Missouri State University) and a Juris Doctorate in 2000 from the University of Missouri-Kansas City. From 2022 to 2025, he served in the U.S. Air Force Judge Advocate General's (JAG) Reserves at various military bases across the world. From 2015 to 2022, he served as an assistant U.S. attorney in Las Vegas, where he was assigned primarily white collar and immigration cases. From 2001 to 2014, he served as a U.S. Air Force JAG, deploying to Iraq in 2010. Judge Grimmer is a member of the Missouri Bar.

Joshua Hawkes, Temporary Immigration Judge, Orlando Immigration Court

Joshua Hawkes was appointed as a temporary immigration judge to begin hearing cases in October 2025. Judge Hawkes earned a Bachelor of Science in 2003 from the U.S. Naval Academy, a Master of Engineering in 2004 from Georgia Institute of Technology, and a Juris Doctor in 2014 from Florida State University College of Law. From 2020 to 2025, he served as a circuit judge in Florida. From 2014 to 2020, he was in private practice. Since 2003, he has served in the U.S. Navy, in active duty and reserve capacities, as a submarine officer and a judge advocate and holds the rank of commander. Judge Hawkes is a member of the Florida Bar.

Michael F. Hayden, Temporary Immigration Judge, Charlotte Immigration Court

Michael F. Hayden was appointed as a temporary immigration judge to begin hearing cases in October 2025. Judge Hayden earned a Bachelor of Arts in 2001 from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, a Juris Doctor in 2004 from Drake Law School, and a Master of Laws in 2015 from the Judge Advocate General's Legal Center and School. From 2018 to 2025, he was with a financial institution in Charlotte, North Carolina in the following roles: senior lead enterprise risk officer (2022-2025); lead business execution consultant (2021-2022); and a compliance officer (2018-2021). From 2009 to 2010, he served as a trial counsel at Fort Campbell, Kentucky. From 2008 to 2009, he served as the chief of detention operations in Bagram, Afghanistan. From 2007 to 2008, he served as an administrative law attorney at Fort Campbell, Kentucky. From 2010 to 2012, and from 2015 to 2017, he served as a command legal advisor at Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington, and Fort Bragg, North Carolina. Since 2018, he has served in the U.S. Army Reserve primarily as a personnel and operations officer.

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During this time from 2018 to 2020, he also served as an adjunct professor at the Judge Advocate General's Legal Center and School. He holds the rank of lieutenant colonel. Judge Hayden is a member of the Massachusetts Bar.

James R. Holden, Temporary Immigration Judge, Indianapolis Immigration Court

James R. Holden was appointed as a temporary immigration judge to begin hearing cases in October 2025. Judge Holden earned a Bachelor of Arts in 1997 from Indiana University, a Juris Doctorate in 2001 from the Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law, and a Master of Strategic Studies in 2023 from the U.S. Army War College. From 2018 to 2025, he served as an administrative judge for the Department of Agriculture in Indianapolis. From 2014 and 2017, he served on active duty as a judge advocate for the U.S. Army in various locations. From 2007 to 2014, he served as chief deputy and general counsel in the Office of the Indiana State Treasurer, Indianapolis. Judge Holden was commissioned as a judge advocate in the U.S. Army Reserve in 2004. He transferred to the Indiana Army National Guard in 2013 where he currently holds the rank of lieutenant colonel. Judge Holden is a member of the Indiana State Bar.

Michael J. Hussey, Temporary Immigration Judge, Hyattsville Immigration Court

Michael J. Hussey was appointed as a temporary immigration judge to begin hearing cases in October 2025. Judge Hussey earned a Bachelor of Arts in 2001 from the University of Cincinnati, a Juris Doctor in 2005 from the University of Dayton School of Law, and a Master of Laws in 2016 from George Washington University Law School. Judge Hussey was commissioned in the U.S. Navy Judge Advocate General's Corps in 2005 where he served in various roles including: defense counsel, staff judge advocate, and environmental counsel until his appointment. Judge Hussey is a member of the Ohio State Bar.

Jacob R. Marshall, Temporary Immigration Judge, Chicago Immigration Court

Jacob R. Marshall was appointed as a temporary immigration judge to begin hearing cases in October 2025. Judge Marshall earned a Bachelor of Science in 2004 from Florida State University and a Juris Doctor in 2008 from Florida State University. From 2020 to 2025, he served as a judge advocate in the U.S. Air Force Reserve, currently holding the rank of lieutenant colonel at Ninth Air Force (Air Forces Central), Shaw Air Force Base, South Carolina. From 2020 to 2025, he also served as an assistant general counsel at a financial institution in Chicago. From 2008 to 2020, he served on active duty in the U.S. Air Force, with assignments across the globe, including the United States, United Kingdom, Republic of Korea, and Afghanistan. Judge Marshall is a member of the Florida Bar and the Illinois State Bar.

Steven Paul Meredith, Temporary Immigration Judge, El Paso Immigration Court

Steven Paul Meredith was appointed as a temporary immigration judge to begin hearing cases in October 2025. Judge Meredith earned a Bachelor of Arts in 2000 from Brigham Young University and a Juris Doctorate in 2007 from Gonzaga University School of Law. He commissioned in the U.S. Navy in 2006 and holds the rank of commander. From 2007 to 2025, he served on active duty and reserve duty in various positions

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including: legal assistance attorney and command services department head in Naples, Italy (intermittently between 2023-2025); deputy staff judge advocate, Navy Reserve Region Readiness and Mobilization Command Northwest, Everett, Washington (2020-2023); deputy staff judge advocate, Navy Region Northwest and Naval Submarine Support Command, Naval Base Kitsap, Washington (intermittently between 2017-2020); victim's legal counsel, Naval Base Kitsap, Washington (2013-2016); command judge advocate, Naval Hospital Bremerton, Washington (2010-2012); special assistant U.S. attorney, Middle District of Florida (2009-2010); and prosecutor, Naval Air Station Jacksonville, Florida (2007-2009). From 2012 to 2025, he adjudicated claims for the Department of Labor in the Seattle and Denver District Offices before moving to a training role at the National Office. Judge Meredith is a member of the Washington State Bar.

Kyle V. Mitchell, Temporary Immigration Judge, Dallas Immigration Court

Kyle V. Mitchell was appointed as a temporary immigration judge to begin hearing cases in October 2025. Judge Mitchell most recently served as an administrative law judge for the State of Texas. From 2021 to 2025, he served in various attorney positions with the federal government. From 2015 to 2021, he served in leadership positions at a prominent Texas non-profit. From 2006 to 2015, he served in the executive branch of state government for the State of Texas. From 2000 to 2006, he served as an attorney in state government for the State of Florida and a distinguished law firm. Since 2003, Judge Mitchell has served as a judge advocate in the U.S. Army Reserve, the Texas National Guard, and the U.S. Army.

Phoebe D. Riner, Temporary Immigration Judge, Sterling Immigration Court

Phoebe D. Riner was appointed as a temporary immigration judge to begin hearing cases in October 2025. Judge Riner earned a Bachelor of Science in 2000 from Asbury College and a Juris Doctor in 2006 from Regent University School of Law. From 2007 to 2025, she served as a chemical patent examiner, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; judge advocate, U.S. Marine Corps; prosecutor, Office of the Commonwealth's Attorney, Kentucky; private practice as a patent attorney in Kentucky; law clerk to the Honorable Judge Bruggink, U.S. Court of Federal Claims; and senior appropriations and intellectual property attorney, Department of Labor. Judge Riner is a member of the State Bar of Kentucky and the U.S. Patent and Trademark Patent Bar.

Jared Seth Robinson, Temporary Immigration Judge, Houston – S. Gessner Road Immigration Court

Jared Seth Robinson was appointed as a temporary immigration judge to begin hearing cases in October 2025. Judge Robinson earned a Bachelor of Science in 2001 from Louisiana State University and a Juris Doctorate in 2007 from Loyola University New Orleans College of Law. From 2019 to 2025, he served as a district court judge in Texas. From 2013 to 2019, he was in private practice in the greater Houston metro area. From 2007 to 2013, he served as an assistant district attorney. Judge Robinson is a graduate of the 67th Military Judges Course and currently serves in the Louisiana Army National Guard as the state military judge. Judge Robinson is a member of the State Bar of Texas.

Sujata M. Rodgers, Temporary Immigration Judge, Chelmsford Immigration Court

Sujata M. Rodgers was appointed as a temporary immigration judge to begin hearing cases in October 2025. Judge Rodgers earned a Bachelor of Science in 2001 from Boston College and a Juris Doctorate in 2004 from American University, Washington College of Law. From 2016 to 2025, she served as an administrative law judge for the Social Security Administration. From 2009 to 2015, she served as an assistant regional counsel and supervisory attorney for the Social Security Administration's Office of the General Counsel. From 2004 to 2009, she was on active duty for the U.S. Army Judge Advocate General's Corps. Judge Rodgers is a member of the Maryland State Bar.

Jason R. Smith, Temporary Immigration Judge, Annandale Immigration Court

Jason R. Smith was appointed as a temporary immigration judge to begin hearing cases in October 2025. Judge Smith earned a Bachelor of Arts in 1998 from Park University, a Juris Doctorate in 2001 from St. Louis University School of Law, and a Master of Laws in 2011 from the George Washington University Law School. From 2021 to 2025, he served as a litigation attorney at Defense Health Agency in Falls Church, Virginia. From 2015 to 2021, he served as a senior litigation attorney at Air Force Commercial Litigation Branch, Joint Base Andrews, Maryland. From 2012 to 2015, he served as a program attorney at Space and Missile Systems Center, El Segundo, California. From 2011 to 2012, he served as a litigation attorney at Air Force Commercial Litigation Branch, Joint Base Andrews, Maryland. From 2008 to 2010, he served as an Accident Investigation Board legal advisor and aviation attorney at the Air Force Tort and Litigation Branch, Arlington, Virginia. From 2002 to 2008, he served as an assistant staff judge advocate at Patrick Air Force Base, Florida, and Scott Air Force Base, Illinois. Judge Smith is a member of the Missouri Bar.

Jason David Thomas, Temporary Immigration Judge, Chelmsford Immigration Court

Jason David Thomas was appointed as a temporary immigration judge to begin hearing cases in October 2025. Judge Thomas earned a Bachelor of Arts in 1999 from the State University of New York at Albany and a Juris Doctor in 2002 from Western New England University School of Law. From 2018 to 2025, he served as the veterans programs manager for the Executive Office of the Trial Court of Massachusetts. From 2002 to 2018, he served as a staff attorney in the Public Defender Division of the Massachusetts Committee for Public Counsel Services in Cambridge, Springfield, and Somerville. Since 2007, he has also served in the U.S. Army Reserve Judge Advocate General's Corps, including in the following positions: military defense counsel, Fort Bragg, North Carolina (2016-2018); special assistant U.S. attorney, Fort Stewart, Georgia (2015-2016); medical evaluation board counsel, Fort Carson, Colorado (2014-2015); chief of operational law, Fort Carson, Colorado (2013-2014); and military defense counsel, Balad, Iraq, Fort Hood, Texas, and Fort McNair, Washington D.C. (2008-2012). He currently holds the rank of lieutenant colonel. His military awards include the Bronze Star Medal and other campaign and service medals. Judge Thomas is a member of the Massachusetts Bar.

Traci Lee Cox Winder, Temporary Immigration Judge, Tacoma Immigration Court

Traci Lee Cox Winder was appointed as a temporary immigration judge to begin hearing cases in October 2025. Judge Winder earned a Bachelor of Science in 1997 from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and a Juris Doctorate in 2000 from Campbell University, Norman Adrian Wiggins School of Law. From 2007 to 2025, she served as a judge advocate general (JAG) with the U.S. Air Force Reserves at various locations. From 2011 to 2012, she served as a staff attorney with the Office of General Counsel, Naval Facilities Engineering Systems Command Northwest, Bangor, Washington. From 2007 to 2011, she served as a staff attorney, Assistant Chief Counsel, U.S. Customs and Border Protection in Tucson, Arizona. From 2003 to 2007, she served as a JAG with the U.S. Air Force at various locations. Judge Winder is a member of the Florida Bar, North Carolina Bar, and Washington State Bar.

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