# JUSTICE JOHN W. KITTREDGE

John W. Kittredge was born in Greenville, South Carolina on September 28, 1956 and is the son of Elwyn Herbert, Jr. (deceased) and Marian Jeffries Kittredge. John married Lila Graham Hewell on June 20, 1981. John and Lila have three children, Lila Marian, Will and Zay. The Kittredges are members of First Presbyterian Church in Greenville.

Justice Kittredge graduated from the University of South Carolina, <u>summa cum</u> <u>laude</u>, in 1979. He graduated from the University of South Carolina School of Law in 1982. Academic honors include Phi Beta Kappa, Order of the Coif, and Wig and Robe.

Justice Kittredge began his legal career as a law clerk to The Honorable William W. Wilkins, Jr. He practiced law in the firm of Wilkins, Nelson and Kittredge. Justice Kittredge was actively involved in community and state service: Governor's Committee on Crime and Delinquency; Governor's Juvenile Justice Task Force; Greenville Technical College Foundation (Vice-President); City of Greenville Civil Service Commission (Chairman); Greenville County Crime Stoppers (President); Board of Directors of Child Evangelism Fellowship. In addition to his admission to the South Carolina Bar, Justice Kittredge is also admitted to practice before the District of Columbia Court of Appeals, United States Court of Military Appeals, United States District Court for the District of South Carolina, United States Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals and the United States Supreme Court.

Justice Kittredge was elected to the South Carolina family court bench in 1991. He was elected to the circuit court bench in 1996 and the Court of Appeals in 2003. Justice Kittredge was elected to the Supreme Court in 2008.

## HONORABLE CLIFTON NEWMAN

**Judge Clifton Newman** was elected to the South Carolina Circuit Court by the South Carolina General Assembly in May 2000 and he has been twice re-elected.

Judge Newman received his law degree from Cleveland-Marshall School of Law. Prior to being elected as a Circuit Court Judge, he was involved in the private practice of law in Cleveland, Ohio and South Carolina. He also served as a South Carolina Assistant Solicitor for 17 years. In 2009, he served as the Presiding Judge over the Multi-Week Trial Docket for South Carolina, a specialized docket of complex construction and other multi-week cases. He is currently one of three Business Court judges in the State of South Carolina.

Judge Newman is a member of the South Carolina Chief Justice's Commission on the Profession; a member of the Commission on Judicial Conduct; a member of the Judicial Council, a member of the South Carolina Circuit Court Advisory Committee; Vice Chair of the Common Pleas Court Docket Management Task Force; a Board Member of the American College of Business Court Judges; and a member and law student mentor of the John Belton O'neal Inn of Court. Judge Newman serves as Chairperson of the South Carolina Civil Rules Advisory Committee. Judge Newman also serves as a Business Court Judge representative to the Business Law section of the American Bar Association. He has served on the faculty of Bridge the Gap since 2010 and frequently appears as a presenter at legal education programs.

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Charleston, South Carolina

#### **Practice Areas:**

Personal Injury; Medical Malpractice; Products Liability; Trial Practice; Rental Car Liability

### **Education:**

Tulane University - BS Psychology and Communication, 1988 University of South Carolina School of Law - Juris Doctor, 1992

#### **Honors/Qualifications:**

National Board of Trial Advocacy -

- Board Certified Civil Trial Advocate

American Board of Professional Liability Attorneys (Board Member)

- Board Certified Medical Malpractice

AV Rated Martindale-Hubbell

Advanced Studies in Trial Advocacy - Fellow

American Jurisprudence Award in Damages

#### **Author:**

South Carolina Rules of Procedure Annotated South Carolina Rules of Evidence Annotated

# **CHARLES J. BOYKIN**

Charles J. Boykin received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Benedict College (1974); and both his Master of Public Administration (1977) and Juris Doctor Degree (1992) from University of South Carolina. Prior to attending law school, Mr. Boykin served for 10 years as Director of Planning and Development for the City of Anderson, where he led the City's economic development efforts. From 1988 until 1990, he served as Director of Real Estate Development for Clemson University. Mr. Boykin is rated as A/V by Martindale-Hubbell which is the highest rating given to any lawyer. Mr. Boykin practices in all areas of employment, education and local government law, with a particular emphasis in personnel, school board-superintendent matters, inter-governmental affairs, land use, zoning, and litigation at Boykin & Davis, LLC.

He was elected to the position of Chairman of the Board of the South Carolina Legal Services. Also, he is a member of the Board of Advisors for the Charleston School of Law. In November 2006, he submitted, in response to a request by the U.S. Civil Rights Commission, a brief to the Commission on the practical effects of desegregation orders on K-12 schools.

In 2002, the University of South Carolina with the Compleat Lawyer Award recognized Mr. Boykin for his contributions to the legal profession.

# JOSEPH M. McCULLOCH, JR.

Joseph M. McCulloch, Jr. practices law from his office (Law Offices of Joseph M. McCulloch, Jr.) located in Columbia, South Carolina with associate Kathy Schillaci. He was formerly a partner in the firm of Swerling, Harpootlian and McCulloch. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of South Carolina in 1974 and his Juris Doctor degree from the University Of South Carolina School Of Law in 1977. He was admitted to the South Carolina Bar in 1977.

Mr. McCulloch, upon graduation, worked with the South Carolina Supreme Court's Court Administration, and later as Career Criminal Prosecutor with the Fifth Circuit Solicitor's Office in Columbia, South Carolina. He served as Associate Counsel to the University of South Carolina for a number of years, and frequently advises NCAA collegiate institutions and others in the area of Sports Law.

Joe is past President of the South Carolina Association Criminal Defense Lawyers and a frequent presenter at legal seminars for lawyers and members of the judiciary. Mr. McCulloch is an Adjunct Professor at the University Of South Carolina School Of Law in the areas of sports, entertainment, and criminal law. He is President of the South Carolina Innocence Project, an endeavor initiated several years ago, using volunteer lawyers in an effort to discover and exonerate those wrongly convicted.

### HONORABLE TIFFANY PROVENCE

Tiffany Provence was admitted to the South Carolina Bar in 1998 after attending the University of Florida, where she received her B.S. in Telecommunications, and the University of South Carolina, where she received her J.D. degree. In addition, Provence holds dual certifications in Civil and Family Court Mediation. Provence served as the Dorchester County Probate Court Judge for more than 10 years. During her terms in office, she also served as Secretary for the Dorchester County Bar, legal counsel for the Frances R. Willis SPCA and Executive Committee member for the South Carolina Association of Probate Judges.

After retiring from the Probate Court in 2008, Provence formed the firm of Provence Messervy in Summerville, SC, where she remains the managing partner. The firm focuses on civil, family and probate mediation, in addition to probate litigation, criminal defense and wrongful death cases. In her free time, Provence teaches at local colleges including the Charleston School of Law and Trident Technical College. Her classes and lecture topics include Probate, Wills & Trusts, Legal Ethics, Fiduciary Administration, and Mediation & Negotiation. Provence also regularly writes for both local and national publications on legal and human interest related topics. The American Bar Association's GP Solo Division has published two of her articles in the past year.

In addition to being a member of the South Carolina Bar, Provence is also an active member in the ABA and National College of Probate Judges. In 2009, she was named one of The Summerville Journal Scene's "Women to Watch" and in 2010 the Charleston Business Journal named her one of the "Top 40 Under 40." Provence is married to Dorchester County Coroner, Christopher D. Nisbet, and has four children. She is a lifelong resident of Summerville, SC.

#### KEVIN M. BARTH

Kevin Barth is a partner in the law firm of Ballenger, Barth & Hoefer, L.L.P. in Florence, South Carolina. He graduated from Clemson University in 1979 and the University of South Carolina School of Law in 1982. Mr. Barth has been in private practice since 1983 in a general plaintiff's trial practice and is a Certified Mediator and Arbitrator. He is the Past President of the Florence County Bar Association.

### HARRY L. GOLDBERG

Harry L. Goldberg is a senior managing partner in the Columbia, South Carolina office of Finkel Law Firm LLC. He graduated from the University of South Carolina in 1969 with a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and received Juris Doctor degree from the University of South Carolina School of Law in 1973. While in law school, Harry was the recipient of the American Jurisprudence Award in Damages. He was admitted to the Bar in 1973 and is a member of the South Carolina and U.S. District Courts for South Carolina, the U.S. Supreme Court and the District of Columbia Bar.

Harry has served as Chairman of the ADR Section and is a member of the House of Delegates of the Bar of the South Carolina Bar. He is a Certified Civil Court Mediator and Arbitrator. Harry has lectured at the South Carolina Bar Annual Meeting and he is a lecturer at the Bridge the Gap program.

Harry has also organized and presented seminars on alternative dispute resolution for business and community leaders. His practice areas include general litigation and medical malpractice, as well as mediation and arbitration.

# **JACK B. SWERLING**

Jack B. Swerling practices law in Columbia, South Carolina (Law Offices of Jack Swerling). He received his Bachelor of Arts Degree from Clemson University (1968), and his Juris Doctor Degree from the University Of South Carolina School Of Law (1973).

Mr. Swerling was a member of the Supreme Court of South Carolina's Board of Law Examiners and a member of the Supreme Court's Board of Commissioners on Grievances and Discipline. He is currently a member of the Chief Justice's Commission on the Profession. He has been on the Faculty of the University Of South Carolina School Of Medicine, Department of Neuropsychiatry for more than 20 years, and formerly served on the Faculty of the University Of South Carolina School Of Law for a number of years.

Mr. Swerling is the author of <u>The South Carolina Criminal Trial Notebook</u>; <u>My Little Rules Book-Criminal</u>; and a contributor to the <u>South Carolina Criminal Trial Techniques Handbook</u>, as well as a number of articles.

He is a Life Fellow of the South Carolina Bar Foundation and served as President from 1997-1998. Mr. Swerling is a Master Bencher in the John Belton O'Neill Inn of Court and a member of the Fourth Circuit Judicial Conference. He is a Fellow in the Litigation Counsel of America, the American Academy of Appellate Lawyers, the American College of Trial Lawyers, American Board of Criminal Lawyers, and the International Academy of Trial Lawyers.

#### LESLEY M. COGGIOLA

Lee Coggiola is currently Disciplinary Counsel for the South Carolina Supreme Court, formerly Chief Staff Attorney for the South Carolina Court of Appeals. Before coming to the Court of Appeals she served as the Chief Public Defender of Richland County. Her Bar memberships include the South Carolina Supreme Court, United States District Court, District of South Carolina, Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals and the United States Supreme Court. She is a graduate of the University of Miami and received her JD from the University Of South Carolina School Of Law in 1988.

Prior to attending law school she spent eleven years with IBM in systems and marketing. Since admission to the Bar she served as Law Clerk to the Honorable Carol Connor, Assistant Public Defender, Assistant Appellate Defender, and Of Counsel at Nelson Mullins Riley and Scarborough. As chair of the Criminal Law Section, she served on the House of Delegates for the South Carolina Bar. Additionally, she served on the board of the South Carolina Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, was former President of the South Carolina Public Defender Association, a former member of the American Council of Chief Defenders, the Commission of the Office of Indigent Defense, and the National Association of Appellate Court Attorneys.

Currently she serves as a member of the National Organization of Bar Counsel and the Ethics Advisory Committee of the Bar, the John Belton O'Neall Inn of Court and the Chief Justice's Commission on the Profession. She is co-editor of the Fifth Edition of The Criminal Law of South Carolina. and is an adjunct instructor at USC School of Law.

## **SUSAN TAYLOR WALL**

Susan Wall is a shareholder at the McNair Law Firm in Charleston. Her primary practice areas are in handling complex litigation in the areas of business torts, defense of professionals and class actions. She is an experienced trial attorney in both federal and state courts and handles matters for clients throughout the state. Susan is admitted to practice in South Carolina and California and is also certified in state and federal courts as a mediator.

She graduated cum laude from the Seattle University School of Law in 1979 where she was a member of the Seattle Law Review. Susan is actively involved in professional organizations such as the SC Supreme Court Committee on Character and Fitness, the Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel and she is a frequent presenter on legal ethics and malpractice prevention issues.

## **COURTNEY G. KENNADAY**

Courtney Kennaday is the Director of the South Carolina Bar Practice Management Assistance Program (PMAP), which she founded in 2002. In her role as practice management advisor, she assists lawyers in large and small firms with law office technology and management issues. A former practicing attorney and member of the South Carolina Bar since 1990, her PMAP pages www.scbar.org/pmap are a popular resource for practice management and technology information. She is a frequent author on technology topics, including numerous articles for ABA publications. As a speaker, she has appeared at ABA TECHSHOW during three decades, as well as numerous state and local bar events

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## **DEBRA COOPER**

Prior to becoming the Mentoring Coordinator for the Supreme Court's Mandatory Lawyer Mentoring Program, Deb Cooper taught high school English for seventeen years and served as an Education Associate for the South Carolina Department of Education. Mentoring has always been a passion for her. She served as a Master Teacher counseling student teachers for over twelve years. She holds a Masters Degree in English from the University of South Carolina. Deb is the proud mother of four beautiful and creative children, all who are, to quote one of her favorite short story writers, Richard Brautigan, "in various stages of anarchy." She is honored to continue her own professional journey with the Commission on Legal Education and Specialization as a spokesperson and advocate for the Lawyer Mentoring Program.