

## THE COURT



**THE HONORABLE  
MICHAEL A.  
CHAGARES**  
*U.S. Court of  
Appeals for the  
3rd Circuit*

Judge Michael A. Chagares has been a judge of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 3rd Circuit since April 2006. He is the chair of the federal Appellate Rules Advisory Committee of the Standing Committee on Rules and Practice and was the chair of the Case Management/Electronic Case Files Subcommittee.

Chagares received the William J. Brennan Jr. Award in 2018 from the Association of the Federal Bar of New Jersey. Before taking the bench, Chagares was a partner in the law firm Cole, Schotz P.A. From 1990 to 2004, he served as an assistant U.S. attorney in the U.S. Attorney's Office in Newark, New Jersey, rising to the level of chief of the Civil Division in 1999. He also has served as law clerk to the Hon. Morton I. Greenberg, U.S.C.J., and has been an adjunct professor at Seton Hall Law School since 1991.

Chagares has published various articles and is a co-author of the book *New Jersey Federal Civil Procedure*. He has lectured abroad on behalf of the U.S. Department of State to foreign judges, officials, and others about the U.S. justice system and the rule of law.



**THE HONORABLE  
MICHELLE T.  
FRIEDLAND**  
*U.S. Court of  
Appeals for the  
9th Circuit*

Judge Michelle T. Friedland was appointed to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 9th Circuit in April 2014.

She received a B.S. in ecology and population biology and graduated Phi Beta Kappa in 1995 from Stanford University. Friedland studied philosophy at Oxford University as a Fulbright scholar before receiving her J.D. in 2000 from Stanford Law School, graduating Order of the Coif and second in her class. She served as a law clerk to Judge David Tatel of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit and then to Justice Sandra Day O'Connor of the U.S. Supreme Court.

Friedland taught for two years at Stanford Law School before entering private practice at Munger, Tolles & Olson LLP, where she was a litigation associate and then partner. She litigated cases in state and federal trial and appellate courts, with a focus on constitutional and antitrust issues. Friedland also has served as an adjunct professor at the University of Virginia Law School, teaching about constitutional issues in higher education.



**THE HONORABLE  
BERYL A. HOWELL**  
*U.S. District Court  
for the District of  
Columbia*

Chief Judge Beryl A. Howell was appointed to the District Court on December 27, 2010. She received her B.A. with honors in 1978 from Bryn Mawr College and her J.D. in 1983 from Columbia Law School, where she was a Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar.

Following law school, Howell worked as a law clerk in the District of New Jersey and, subsequently, at the law firm Schulte, Roth & Zabel. From 1987 until 1993, Howell was deputy chief of the Narcotics Section and an assistant U.S. attorney in the U.S. Attorney's office for the Eastern District of New York, where she was awarded the Attorney General's Director's Award for Superior Performance and commendations from the U.S. Attorney and Federal and local law enforcement agencies. She served as general counsel of the U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee and as a commissioner on the U.S. Sentencing Commission. Howell has been inducted into the National Freedom of Information Act Hall of Fame and was the recipient of the 2004 First Amendment Award from the Society of Professional Journalists. She was an adjunct professor at American University's Washington College of Law and is a member of the American Law Institute and the Judicial Conference of the United States.