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Supremely Qualified: Meet The Honorable Faustino J. Fernandez-Vina

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Hon. Faustino J. Fernandez-Vina has served as a Judge on the New Jersey Superior Court since July 2004.

Judge Fernandez-Vina was nominated to the Superior Court by Democratic Governor James McGreevey in 2004.

He was the first male, Hispanic nominee to the Superior Court from Camden County.

Judge Fernandez-Vina was unanimously approved by the Judiciary Committee, and unanimously confirmed by the full Senate.

Democratic State Senator John Adler: *[H]e is truly known as one of the leaders of the bar.... He's the highest level of competence and it's just the total package..."*

He was re-nominated and re-confirmed in 2011

In 2012, Judge Fernandez-Vina was named Assignment Judge of the Camden Vicinage by the Corzine-appointed New Jersey Supreme Court Chief Justice Stuart Rabner.

Chief Justice Rabner: "Judge Fernandez-Vina brings to the position of assignment judge a wealth of experience, a proven, practical approach to addressing issues, superb judgment and the respect of the bench and bar."

Rabner: "I am confident that under his leadership, the Camden Vicinage will continue to provide the highest quality of service to the public.

Judge Fernandez-Vina has 22 years of private-sector legal experience

Fernandez-Vina was a partner at Kelley, Wardell & Craig from 1998-2004 and a partner at Capehart & Scatchard from 1993-1998, representing municipalities and specializing in legal malpractice.

He worked as an Associate at the Law Office of John J. Spence from 1982-1992.

Fernandez-Vina was a Law Clerk to the late Hon. E. Stevenson Fluharty, J.S.C., Camden

He has been an active member of a variety of legal and professional organizations:

- New Jersey Supreme Court Ad Hoc Committee on Code of Judicial Conduct
- New Jersey Supreme Court Committee on Character
- New Jersey Supreme Court Committee on Expedited Civil Actions
- New Jersey Supreme Court Committee on Judicial Salaries and Pensions
- New Jersey Supreme Court Practice Committee
- New Jersey Supreme Court Committee on Jury Selection in Civil and Criminal Trials

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Chair of the Civil Trial Bar Section for the New Jersey State Bar Association
National Association of Railroad Trial Counsel
Camden and Burlington County Bar Associations

Fernandez-Vina received his law degree from Rutgers University – Camden in 1978.

Fernandez-Vina earned his Bachelor of Arts in history from Widener University in 1974.

While at Widener, Fernandez-Vina was an all-conference football player, playing guard and linebacker positions.

Fernandez-Vina was

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