



# SUPREMELY QUALIFIED

## Ready For The Bench

*Faustino Fernandez-Vina's Depth And Breadth Of Experience Is In Line With The Current And Recent Supreme Court Justices*

It is clear that diversity on the Court is important to me and my nominations have reflected that, and as the racial demographics in our state change, it's important to have the makeup of justices who every day make decisions that impact the everyday lives of the people of our state. I'm confident that Judge Fernandez-Vina will meet all of the other challenges that he will confront as a member of the New Jersey Supreme Court. Once confirmed, he will be the only Hispanic justice on the Court.

- Governor Chris Christie, Press Conference, August 12, 2013

	Chief Justice Stuart Rabner	Justice Jaynee LaVecchia	Justice Barry Albin	Justice Helen Hoens	Justice Anne Patterson	Faustino J. Fernandez-Vina
<b>Sworn-In:</b>	2007	2000	2002	2006	2011	
<b>Days Awaiting Confirmation:</b>	17 Days	4 Days	64 Days	32 Days	420 Days	
<b>Age At Nomination:</b>	46	45	50	52	51	61
<b>Party Affiliation:</b>	Democrat	Independent	Democrat	Republican	Republican	Republican
<b>Education:</b>	Princeton, summa cum laude	Douglass College	Rutgers University	College of William and Mary	Dartmouth, magna cum laude	Widener University
	Harvard Law, cum laude	Rutgers Law	Cornell Law	Georgetown Law, cum laude	Cornell Law	Rutgers Law
<b>Partnership:</b>	U.S. District Court of New Jersey, Judge Dickinson Debevoise			U.S. Third Circuit Court of Appeals, Judge John Gibbons		New Jersey Superior Court, Judge E. Stevenson Fluharty
<b>Judicial</b>		Director & Chief		Judge,		Judge,

Experience:		Administrative Law Judge, Office of Administrative Law, 1989 – 1994		Superior Court, 1994 – 2006		Superior Court, 2004-present
Government Experience:	Attorney General, Office Of The Attorney General, 2006 – 2007	Director, Division of Law, Department of Law and Public Safety, 1994 – 1998	Assistant Prosecutor, Passaic and Middlesex Counties, 1978 – 1982		Deputy Attorney General & Special Assistant To The Attorney General, Office Of The Attorney General, 1989 - 1992	
	Chief Counsel, Office Of Governor Jon Corzine, 2006		Deputy Attorney General, Division of Criminal Justice, 1976 – 1978			
	Chief – Criminal Division, U.S. Attorney's Office, 1986 – 2006*	Deputy Chief Counsel, Office Of Governor Thomas Kean*				
Private Sector Legal Experience:			Partner, Wilentz, Goldman & Spitzer, 1982 – 2002	Partner, Lum, Hoens, Conant Danzis & Kleinberg	Partner, Riker, Danzig, Scherer, Hyland & Perretti LLP, 1992 – 2011; Associate, 1983 – 1989	Partner, Kelley, Wardell, Craig, 1998 – 2004; Partner, Capehart and Scatchard, 1993 – 1998
				Associate, Pitney, Hardin		Associate, Law Office of John J. Spence
Public Service Experience:		Commissioner, Department of Banking and Insurance, 1998 – 2000				

	Justice Roberto Rivera-Soto	Justice John Wallace	Chief Justice James Zazzali	Justice Virginia Long	Justice Peter Verniero	Chief Justice Deborah Poritz	Justice James Coleman
Sworn-In:	2004	2003	2000	1999	1999	1996	1994
Days Awaiting Confirmation:	61 Days	37 Days	51 Days	9 Days	73 Days	7 Days	17 Days
Age At Nomination:	50	61	62	57	39	59	60

<b>Party Affiliation:</b>	Republican	Democrat	Democrat	Democrat	Republican	Republican	Democrat
<b>Education:</b>	Haverford College	University Of Delaware	Georgetown University	Dunbarton College Of The Holy Cross	Drew University, summa cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa	Brooklyn College, magna cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa	Virginia State University, Cum Laude
	Cornell University Law	Harvard Law	Georgetown Law	Rutgers Law	Duke Law	University Of Pennsylvania Law	Howard University School of Law
<b>Clerkship:</b>			U.S. District Court of New Jersey, Judge Lawrence A. Whipple		New Jersey Supreme Court, Associate Justice Robert L. Clifford		
<b>Judicial Experience:</b>		Judge, <u>New Jersey Superior Court</u> , 1984 – 2003		Judge, <u>New Jersey Superior Court</u> , 1978 – 1999			Judge, <u>New Jersey Superior Court</u> , 1978 – 1994
		Municipal Judge, <u>Washington Township</u>					Judge, <u>Union County Court</u> , 1973 – 1978
							Judge, <u>New Jersey Workers' Compensation Court</u> , 1964 – 1973
<b>Government Experience:</b>	Assistant U.S. Attorney – Criminal Division, <u>U.S. Attorney's Office For The Eastern District Of Pennsylvania</u> , 1978 – 1980		Attorney General, <u>Office Of The Attorney General</u> , 1981 – 1982	Deputy Attorney General, <u>Office Of The Attorney General</u> , 1966 – 1973	Attorney General, <u>Office of the Attorney General</u> , 1996 – 1999	Attorney General, <u>Office Of The Attorney General</u> , 1994 – 1996	Counsel and Manager, New Jersey Subsequent Injury Fund, <u>Department of Labor and Industry</u> , 1960 – 1964*
			Chair, <u>State Commission On Investigation</u> , 1989 – 1993; Commissioner,		Chief of Staff, <u>Office of Governor Christine Todd Whitman</u> ,	Chief Counsel, <u>Office Of Governor Thomas Kean</u> , 1989 – 1990	

			1984 - 1989		1995 - 1996		
			General Counsel, <u>New Jersey Sports &amp; Exposition Authority</u> , 1974 - 1982		Chief Counsel, <u>Office of Governor Christine Todd Whitman</u> , 1994 - 1995	Assistant Attorney General & Director, Division Of Law, <u>Office Of The Attorney General</u> , 1977 - 1989*	
			Assistant Prosecutor, <u>Essex County</u> , 1965 - 1968				
Private Sector Legal Experience:	Partner, <u>Fox, Rothschild</u>	Partner, <u>Atkinson, Meyers, Archie &amp; Wallace</u> ,	Adjunct Professor, <u>Seton Hall Law School</u>	Associate, <u>Pitney, Hardin</u> , 1973 - 1975	Director, <u>Harold &amp; Haines</u> , 1990 - 1993	Partner, <u>Jamieson, Moore, Peskin &amp; Spicer</u> , 1990 - 1994	Private Practice, 1960 - 1970
	Litigation Associate, <u>Fox, Rothschild, O'Brien &amp; Frankel, LLP</u> , 1980 - 1983	Associate, <u>Montgomery, McCracken, Walker &amp; Rhoads</u>			Associate, <u>Pitney, Hardin, Kipp &amp; Szuch</u> , 1985 - 1987		
					Adjunct Professor, <u>Morris Coutu College</u> , 1986		
Public Service Experience:		Captain, <u>U.S. Army</u> , 1968 - 1970*		Commissioner, <u>Department Of Banking</u> , 1977 - 1978			
				Director, <u>Division Of Consumer Affairs</u> , 1975 - 1977			
Private Sector Experience:	Senior Vice President, General Council & Corporate						

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