Chief Justice Edward M. Paxson
1824-1905

Term
January 4, 1875-February 18, 1893; Chief Justice, January 7, 1889-February 18, 1893

Education
Studied law under Henry Chapman, Doylestown, 1848-1850

Professional Experience
- Worked in the Village Record, West Chester, 1840-1842
- Founded the Newtown Journal, Newtown, Bucks County, 1842-1847
- Founded the Daily News, Philadelphia, 1847-1948
- Admitted to the Bucks County bar, April 24, 1850; Philadelphia bar, October 1852
- Private Practice, 1850-1869
- Governor John Geary appointed Paxson, Court of Common Pleas of Philadelphia County, 1869; re-elected in October 1870
- Judge, Court of Common Pleas of Philadelphia County, 1869-1874
- Elected Justice, Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, November 1874; commissioned December 2, 1874
- Resigned on February 18, 1893
- Receiver, Reading Railroad Company, February 18, 1893-April 20, 1897

Honors and Awards
- The Edward M. Paxson Public School, 1870

Memberships and Associations
- Member, Board of Guardians of the Poor of Philadelphia

Publications
- The Road to Success: or Practical Hints to the Junior Bar. An Address Delivered Before the Law Academy of Philadelphia by Hon. Edward M. Paxson, in the Hall of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania; April 14, 1888 (1888)
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