

**Justice James J. Fitzgerald, III**  
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#### **Term**

March 28, 2007 to January 2008

#### **Education**

- University of Pennsylvania, B.A., 1962
- Villanova University School of Law, J.D., 1966

#### **Professional Experience**

- Assistant District Attorney, Philadelphia County, 1967-1979
- Chief Counsel, Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board, 1980-1981
- Private Practice, Marshall Dennehey Warner Coleman & Goggin
- Executive Vice President, Greater Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce, 1986-1989
- Elected Judge, Court of Common Pleas of Philadelphia County, November 1989, retained in November 1999
- Judge, Court of Common Pleas of Philadelphia County, January 1990-2007, Administrative Judge, Trial Division, 2002-2007
- Governor Edward Rendell nominated Fitzgerald, Justice, Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, on February 13, 2007, confirmed by Senate on March 28, 2007
- Senior Judge, Pennsylvania Superior Court, 2009-2017

#### **Honors and Awards**

- Alumni Merit Award, University of Pennsylvania, 1989
- Award for Judicial Excellence, Brehon Law Society, 2005

#### **Memberships and Associations**

- Villanova University School of Law J. Willard O'Brien American Inn of Court
- Philadelphia County Bar Association
- St. Thomas More Society
- Brehon Law Society
- Greater Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce
- Phi Delta Gamma Fraternity
- PA Commission on Crime and Delinquency
- PA Commission on Judicial Independence

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