



Judge Eduardo C. Robreno

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Alternative Dispute Resolution & Mediation | Business Litigation

Judge Eduardo Robreno draws on his decades of experience on the federal bench to help clients resolve complex disputes.

The Honorable Eduardo Robreno was nominated to the US District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania by President George H.W. Bush and confirmed to the bench in 1992. At McCarter, he will provide alternative dispute resolution services through arbitration, mediation, special masterships, corporate investigations, and other court appointed neutral services.

During his tenure on the bench, Judge Robreno presided over more than 100 civil and criminal jury trials, authoring more than 3,000 opinions. He oversaw significant multidistrict litigation, including *In re Asbestos Products Liability*, MDL-875, one of the largest multidistrict litigations in the federal courts, disposing of approximately 180,000 cases and 10 million claims, and *In re Google Cookie Placement Consumer Privacy Litigation*, MDL-2358 in the District of Delaware. In addition to his assignment as a District Judge in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, Judge Robreno sat by designation with the Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, Eleventh Circuit, Ninth Circuit, and the District Courts in New Jersey, Delaware, and the Western District of Pennsylvania. While on the bench, he was appointed by Supreme Court Chief Justice Renquist to serve on the Judicial Conference Advisory Committee on Bankruptcy Rules and by Chief Justice Roberts to the Judicial Conference Committee on Bankruptcy Administration.

Prior to his judicial service, Judge Robreno, was a partner at a Philadelphia law firm. He also served as a trial attorney with the Department of Justice's Antitrust Division and as a Special Assistant United States Attorney.

Judge Robreno is the first Cuban-American to sit on any federal court and the first Latino on the federal bench in Pennsylvania. He is currently a member of the faculty at the University of Miami Law School where he serves as Distinguished Jurist in Residence (ret). Judge Robreno has also taught as an adjunct at Rutgers Law School, the University of Georgia, and Villanova Law School. He is an elected member of the American Law Institute, a founding member of the Hispanic Bar Association of Pennsylvania, and a member of the Cuban American Bar Association.

Education

Rutgers Law School, JD, 1978

University of Massachusetts Amherst, MA, 1969

Westfield State University, BA, 1967

Bar Admissions

Pennsylvania

New Jersey

*not admitted in Florida

Languages

Spanish

Memberships & Certifications

American Law Institute

Elected Member

Cuban American Bar Association

Hispanic Bar Association of Pennsylvania

Founding Member

Recognitions

Champion of Social Justice Award, Rutgers Law School Black Law Students Association

Orgullo Award, The University of Pennsylvania Latin American Law Students Association

Honorary Doctor of Law Degree, Westfield State University

Rutgers University Hall of Distinguished Alumni

Articles

The Federal Asbestos Product Liability Multidistrict Litigation (MDL-875): Black Hole or New Paradigm?, Widener Law Journal , 9.25.2013

Learning To Do Justice: An Essay On the Development Of The Lower Federal Courts In the Early Years Of The Republic, Rutgers Law Journal , 1.1.1998

Speaking Engagements

Washington Arbitration Week: Judges vs. Arbitrators?, WAW, 11.28.2023

Miami Law Class Action & Complex Litigation Forum, University of Miami Law School, 11.16.2023

The Life and Times of Justice William Strong, The Justice William Strong American Inn of Court , 10.19.2023

Centralization of Premature Mass-Tort MDLs, Rabiej Litigation Law Center , 9.29.2023

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