

JUDGE EMMET G. SULLIVAN
U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Judge Sullivan was appointed United States District Judge for the District of Columbia in July 1994. He received a B.A. in 1968 from Howard University and a J.D. in 1971 from the Howard University School of Law. Following law school, Judge Sullivan was a Reginald Heber Smith Fellow and then clerked for Judge James A. Washington, Jr., of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia. From 1973 to 1984, Judge Sullivan was an associate and then partner at the firm of Houston & Gardner, and its successor, Houston, Sullivan & Gardner. He was appointed to the Superior Court of the District of Columbia in 1984, and to the District of Columbia Court of Appeals in 1992, where he served until his appointment to the federal court.

Judge Sullivan served on the District of Columbia Judicial Disabilities and Tenure Commission, and in 2001 was appointed to the District of Columbia Judicial Nomination Commission, which he has chaired since 2005. From 1998 to 2005, Judge Sullivan served on the Judicial Conference Criminal Law Committee, having been appointed to that position by Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist. From 2012 to 2018, Judge Sullivan served on the Judicial Conference Space and Facilities Committee, having been appointed to that position by Chief Justice John G. Roberts, Jr.

Judge Sullivan is the recipient of many honors. Most recently, he received the National Bar Association's Gertrude E. Rush Award, the Charles Hamilton Houston Medallion of Merit awarded by the Washington Bar Association, and was named Judge of the Year for 2017 by the Bar Association of the District of Columbia. In 2019, Georgetown University awarded Judge Sullivan the degree of Doctor of Laws, *Honoris Causa*.

Judge Sullivan has taught as an adjunct professor at Howard University Law School and at American University, Washington College of Law. He is also a Director of the Abramson Scholarship Foundation.