

Hon. Michael A. Chagares

Michael A. Chagares is Chief Judge of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit and has been a Circuit Judge since April 2006. He is a member of the Judicial Conference of the United States, the governing body of the federal judiciary, and was appointed by Chief Justice Roberts to the Executive Committee of the Judicial Conference. He served as a member and later Chair of the federal Appellate Rules Advisory Committee. Before taking the bench, Chief Judge Chagares was a partner in the law firm of Cole Schotz, P.A., and served as a Hearing Officer for the 9/11 Victim Compensation Fund. From 1990 to 2004, he served as an Assistant U.S. Attorney in Newark, becoming Chief of the Civil Division in 1999. Chief Judge Chagares served as a law clerk to the Honorable Morton I. Greenberg, U.S.C.J., and has been an Adjunct Professor at Seton Hall Law School since 1991. He has published various articles and is a co-author of the book New Jersey Federal Civil Procedure. Chief Judge Chagares has lectured abroad on behalf of the U.S. Department of State to foreign judges, officials, and others about the U.S. justice system and the rule of law.

Hon. Paul Matey

Judge Paul Matey was appointed to the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit in 2019 by President Trump.

Before his judicial service, Judge Matey was a partner at Lowenstein Sandler in New Jersey where he practiced complex commercial litigation and criminal defense. Earlier, Judge Matey was the Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary for University Hospital Newark, an academic medical center and teaching hospital.

He also served as the Deputy Chief Counsel to Governor Chris Christie, and as an Assistant United States Attorney in the District of New Jersey, where he was awarded the Justice Department's Director's Award for Superior Performance. He also practiced at the Washington D.C. firm of Kellogg, Hansen, Todd, Figel & Frederick, and served as a law clerk to the Hon. John C. Lifland on United States District Court for the District of New Jersey, and the Hon. Robert E. Cowen on the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit.

He earned his bachelor's degree from the University of Scranton, a Jesuit University, in 1993, and his juris doctorate, *summa cum laude*, from Seton Hall University School of Law in 2001, where he served as Editor-in-Chief of the *Seton Hall Law Review*.

In 2019, Judge Matey was elected to membership in the American Law Institute and, since 2020, has lectured on administrative law and American legal history at Seton Hall and Catholic University.

Hon. Luis Felipe Restrepo

Luis Felipe Restrepo was born in Medellin, Colombia, was raised in Northern Virginia, and took the oath of United States citizenship on September 7, 1993. He graduated from the University of Pennsylvania and Tulane Law School and worked as a Defender in Philadelphia in both the local and federal courts before entering private practice in 1993. He was a partner in the firm of Krasner & Restrepo until June of 2006, when he was sworn in as a United States Magistrate Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. He has been an adjunct professor at Temple University James E. Beasley Law School since 1993 and an adjunct professor at the University of Pennsylvania Law School from 1997 to 2009, where he was appointed the Irving R. Segal Lecturer in advocacy. His varied publications have appeared in *The Legal Intelligencer*, *The National Law Journal*, and the ABA's *Criminal Justice* magazine. President Barack Obama nominated Judge Restrepo to be a United States District Court Judge in November of 2012. He was confirmed by the United States Senate on June 17, 2013 and received his commission on June 19, 2013. In November of 2014 President Obama nominated Judge Restrepo to the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, he was confirmed by the Senate on January 11, 2016 and received his commission on January 13, 2016. Judge Restrepo was nominated by President Trump, and more recently, by President Biden to serve on the United States Sentencing Commission. He was confirmed as a Vice-Chair of the United States Sentencing Commission in August of 2022.

In 1995 Judge Restrepo received the New American/New Freedom Committee Award from the Balch Institute in Philadelphia "in appreciation for outstanding service to the greater Philadelphia community and the nation." In 2000, he was awarded the Cesare Beccaria Award by the Criminal Law Section of the Philadelphia Bar Association and the Justinian Society for his commitment to criminal justice issues and teaching services. In 2004, he received the Gideon Award presented by Temple Law School for demonstrating a commitment to ensuring that competent counsel are afforded to the indigent. In 2010 he was awarded "*La Justicia*" award by the Hispanic Bar Association of Pennsylvania and the Justice William J. Brennan, Jr. Distinguished Jurist Award by the Philadelphia Bar Association in recognition for his efforts with the Eastern District of Pennsylvania's federal prisoner Re-Entry Program. In 2014 he was presented with the "*Campeones de la Justicia*" award by the Latino Law Students Association of Rutgers Law School. Judge Restrepo was recognized by Stetson Law School with the Cornerstone Award in 2017 in recognition for his contribution to protecting the right to a trial by jury and teaching trial advocacy. *Al Dia* newspaper recognized his public service with the 2018 Hispanic Heritage Award and in 2019 the NACDL presented him with the Champion of Justice Recognition Award. In 2022 Judge Restrepo was inducted into the Tulane Law School Hall of Fame.

Judge Restrepo is a past President of the Hispanic Bar Association of Pennsylvania. He has served on numerous boards including the Make a Wish Foundation for Philadelphia and Susquehanna Valley, the Board of Governors of the Philadelphia Bar Association, the Philadelphia Bar Association's Commission on Judicial Selection and Retention, the Board of Directors of the Defender Association of Philadelphia where he served as a Federal Trustee and Secretary of the Board and the Russell Byers Charter School.

Hon. Patty Shwartz

Patty Shwartz was appointed by President Barack Obama to serve as a judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit.

Judge Shwartz earned her B.A., with highest honors, from Rutgers College and her J.D. from the University of Pennsylvania Law School, where she was a member of the Law Review. Following law school, Judge Shwartz was an associate at the law firm then known as Pepper, Hamilton, & Scheetz in Philadelphia and thereafter served as a law clerk to the Honorable Harold A. Ackerman, United States District Judge for the District of New Jersey. After her clerkship, Judge Shwartz served as an Assistant U.S. Attorney in the District of New Jersey. While at the U.S. Attorney's Office, she held various supervisory positions, including Criminal Chief and Executive Assistant U.S. Attorney. Following her tenure at the U.S. Attorney's Office, Judge Shwartz served as a United States Magistrate Judge for the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey and held that position until her appointment to the Court of Appeals.

Judge Shwartz currently serves on the Committee on Criminal Law of the Judicial Conference of the United States as well as several Third Circuit court committees, including the Circuit's Executive Committee. She is also Chair of the Third Circuit Judicial Council's Magistrate Judge Committee and the Circuit's Disciplinary Committee.

Judge Shwartz is a member of the Board of Advisors of the University of Pennsylvania Law School, the Board of Directors of the Historical Society of the United States District Court for the District of Jersey, the Advisory Board of the Association of the Federal Bar of New Jersey, and the Executive Committee of the John C. Lifland Inn of Court.

Judge Shwartz is a Fellow of the American Bar Association and was the Third Circuit's representative to the Board of Directors of the Federal Magistrate Judges Association and Federal Judges Association. She is Secretary of the FJA and a member of its Executive Committee.

Judge Shwartz teaches at Fordham Law School and Rutgers - Newark, School of Law.