

Path to the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals for Current Judges

Name	#	Status	Confirm Year	Prior 1	Prior 2	Prior 3	Prior 4
Bobby E. Shepherd	61	A	2006	U.S. Magistrate Judge for the Western District	Arkansas state trial judge from 1991-93	Private practice as an attorney in Arkansas	
W. Duane Benton	60	A	2004	Supreme Court of Missouri from 1991-2004, Chief Justice from 1997-99	Director of the Missouri Department of Revenue in the administration of then-Governor John Ashcroft	Private practice in Jefferson City, Missouri from 1983-89	Director of the Missouri Department of Revenue in the administration of then-Governor John
Raymond W. Gruender	59	A	2004	U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District of	Assistant U.S. attorney for the Eastern District of	Private practice from 1994-2000 (1987-90)	Assistant U.S. attorney for the Eastern District of
Steven M. Colloton	58	A	2003	U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of Iowa from 2001-03	Private practice in Iowa from 1999-2001	Assistant U.S. attorney for the Northern District of Iowa from 1991-99	Special assistant to the attorney general, Office of Legal Counsel, U.S.
Lavenski R. Smith	57	A	2002	Commissioner of the Arkansas Public Service	Associate Justice for the Arkansas Supreme Court	Chairman of the Arkansas Public Service	Regulatory liaison for the Arkansas Governor's
Michael J. Melloy	56	A	2002	U.S. District Court Judge for the Northern District of Iowa from 1992-2002	U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the Northern District of Iowa from 1986-92	Private practice, Dubuque, Iowa, 1974-1986	
William J. Riley	55	A	2001	Private practice in Nebraska from 1973-2001	Law clerk, Hon. Donald Lay, United States Court of Appeals, Eighth Circuit,	Adjunct professor, Creighton University College of Law, 1991-	
Kermit E. Bye	54	A	2000	Private practice in Fargo, North Dakota	Assistant U.S. Attorney for the District of North	Special assistant attorney general from	Deputy securities commissioner for North
Diana Murphy	52	A	1994	U.S. District Court Judge for the District of Minnesota from 1979-	Minnesota District Court (Fourth Judicial District) from 1978-80	Judge in Hennepin County Municipal Court, 1976-78	Private practice in Minneapolis, Minnesota from 1974-76
James B. Loken	49	A	1990	Private practice in Minneapolis 1973-90	Staff assistant to President Richard M. Nixon 1970-72.	General Counsel to the President's Committee on Consumer Interests	Private practice in Minneapolis, MN 1967-70
Roger L. Wollman	46	A	1985	Supreme Court of South Dakota from 1971-85	State's attorney in Aberdeen, South Dakota	Private practice in Aberdeen, South Dakota	

Morris S. Arnold	51	S	1992	U.S. District Court Judge for the Western District of Arkansas from 1985-92	Professor at the University of Pennsylvania School of Law from 1984-85; visiting professor at Stanford University School of Law in 1985; Dean of the Indiana	Professor at University of Arkansas School of Law from 1981-84	Vice-president of the university and professor at University of Pennsylvania Law School from 1977-81
David R. Hansen	50	S	1991	U.S. District Court Judge for the Northern District of Iowa from 1986-91	Iowa District Court Judge for the 2nd Judicial District from 1976-86		
Clarence A. Beam	48	S	1987	U.S. District Court Judge for the District of Nebraska from 1981-87,	Private practice in Lincoln, Nebraska from 1965-82		
Pasco M. Bowman II	45	S	1983	Dean and professor of law at the University of Missouri, Kansas City	visiting professor at University of Virginia School of Law from 1978-	Dean and professor of law at Wake Forest University School of Law	professor at University of Georgia School of Law from 1969-70
John R. Gibson	43	S	1982	Judge, U. S. District Court, Western District	Private practice, Kansas City, Missouri, 1952-1981		
Myron H. Bright	35	S	1968	Private practice in Fargo, North Dakota			