

Administrative Law Judges

CHARLES E. BULLOCK, CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

Charles E. Bullock was named Chief Administrative Law Judge at the U.S. International Trade Commission in October 2011, after serving as Acting Chief Administrative Law Judge for two months. He was appointed as an Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) at the USITC in May 2002. Prior to his USITC appointment, he served as an ALJ with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Before he joined the EPA, Judge Bullock served for 24 years with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). For the last 12 of those years, he was an ALJ; prior to assuming his judgeship, he was a trial attorney and then an Assistant General Counsel with that agency. He holds a bachelor of arts degree in political science from Bucknell University and earned his juris doctor degree from George Washington University Law School. He is a member of the Bar of the District of Columbia.

THEODORE R. ESSEX, ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

Theodore R. Essex was appointed as an Administrative Law Judge at the U.S. International Trade Commission in October 2007. Prior to his USITC appointment, Judge Essex served as an ALJ at the Office of Medicare Hearings and Appeals in Cleveland, Ohio. Previously, he served as a consultant to the Compensation and Pension Service of the Department of Veterans' Affairs. From 1984-2005, Judge Essex served in a variety of positions with the U.S. Air Force (USAF), from which he retired in 2005. These positions included Chief of the General Torts Branch of AFLSA/JACT in Arlington VA; Chief of Aviation Law with the Air Education and Training Command; Deputy Staff Judge Advocate with the Air Intelligence Agency; Chief, Operations Law, USAF Headquarters in the United Kingdom; Attorney-Adviser in the AFLEM Office of International Claims and Investment Disputes at the U.S. Department of State; Staff Judge Advocate based in Norway; Deputy Staff Judge Advocate based in the United Kingdom; Circuit Defense Counsel for the USAF Legal Services Center; Deputy Staff Judge Advocate based in Belgium; Area Defense Counsel; and Assistant Staff Judge Advocate. He holds a bachelor of arts degree from Miami University in Oxford, OH, and earned his juris doctor degree from The Ohio State University. He holds an active law license in the state of Louisiana and is a registered solicitor in England and Wales.

THOMAS BERNARD PENDER, ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

Thomas Bernard Pender was appointed as an Administrative Law Judge at the U.S. International Trade Commission in October 2011. Prior to his USITC appointment, Judge Pender served as an ALJ in the Social Security Administration's Office of Disability Adjudication and Review in Richmond, VA. Previously, he was an Administrative Judge with the Office of Hearings and Appeals for the Small Business Administration in Washington, DC; Chief Trial Attorney and the Director of Contract Disputes Resolution Center for the Defense Contract Management Agency; Senior Trial Attorney in the Office of the Chief Trial Attorney of the Air Force at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, OH; Deputy District Counsel for the U.S. Army Engineer District in Baltimore, MD; General Attorney/Trial Attorney for the U.S. Army Engineer District in Fort Worth, TX; and, while on active duty in the U.S. Army, an Assistant Staff Judge Advocate in Bayonne, NJ, and a Trial Defense Counsel in Tongduchon, South Korea. He holds a bachelor's degree from the Virginia Military Institute and earned his juris doctor degree from Emory University Law School. He is a member of the State Bar of Georgia.

DAVID P. SHAW, ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

David P. Shaw was appointed as an Administrative Law Judge at the U.S. International Trade Commission in October 2011. Prior to his USITC appointment, Judge Shaw served as an ALJ at the Social Security Administration's Office of Disability Adjudication and Review (National Hearing Center) in Baltimore, MD. Previously, he was an ALJ with the Social Security Administration's Office of Disability Adjudication and Review in Fayetteville, NC. From 1987 to 2010, he served as an Attorney-Advisor in the USITC's Office of the Administrative Law Judges. He holds a bachelor's degree from George Mason University and earned his juris doctor degree from the Washington College of Law at The American University. He is a member of the Bar of the District of Columbia.

SANDRA (DEE) LORD, ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

Sandra (Dee) Lord was appointed as an Administrative Law Judge at the U.S. International Trade Commission in September 2013. Prior to her appointment, she served as an ALJ with the Social Security Administration's Office of Disability Adjudication and Review (National Hearing Center) in Falls Church, VA. Previously, she was an ALJ in the Social Security Administration's Raleigh Hearing Office in Raleigh, NC; a Special Master in the U.S. Court of Federal Claims' Office of Special Masters; a trial attorney in the Commercial Litigation Branch/Frauds section in the Department of Justice's Civil Division; Of Counsel at the Washington, DC, law firm of Ross, Dixon & Masback (now Troutman Sanders, LLC); an Associate General Counsel at the Howard Hughes Medical Institute in Bethesda, MD; and an Assistant Counsel for Appellate Litigation in the U.S. Department of Labor's Office of the Solicitor. She holds a bachelor of arts degree, summa cum laude, from Yale University and earned her juris doctor degree from Georgetown University Law Center. She is a member of the bars of the District of Columbia and the State of Maryland.

MARY JOAN MCNAMARA, ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

Mary Joan McNamara was appointed as an Administrative Law Judge at the U.S. International Trade Commission in August 2015. Prior to her USITC appointment, Judge McNamara served as an ALJ in the Social Security Administration's Office of Disability Adjudication and Review from 2009-2015 (Albuquerque, NM, and the National Hearing Center, Baltimore, MD). Before her ALJ appointments, Judge McNamara was a trial and appellate lawyer in private practice, with special appointments. Ms. McNamara served as a Consultant to the U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Consular Affairs (Hague Convention). She served as a Special Assistant Attorney General for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and as a Court Conciliator. She holds a bachelor's degree from Cornell University, with studies in Vienna, Austria. She earned a master's degree in Public Policy from the University of Chicago and her juris doctor from Northeastern University. She is currently a member of the Maryland and District of Columbia bars.