

# The Supreme Court Then and Now

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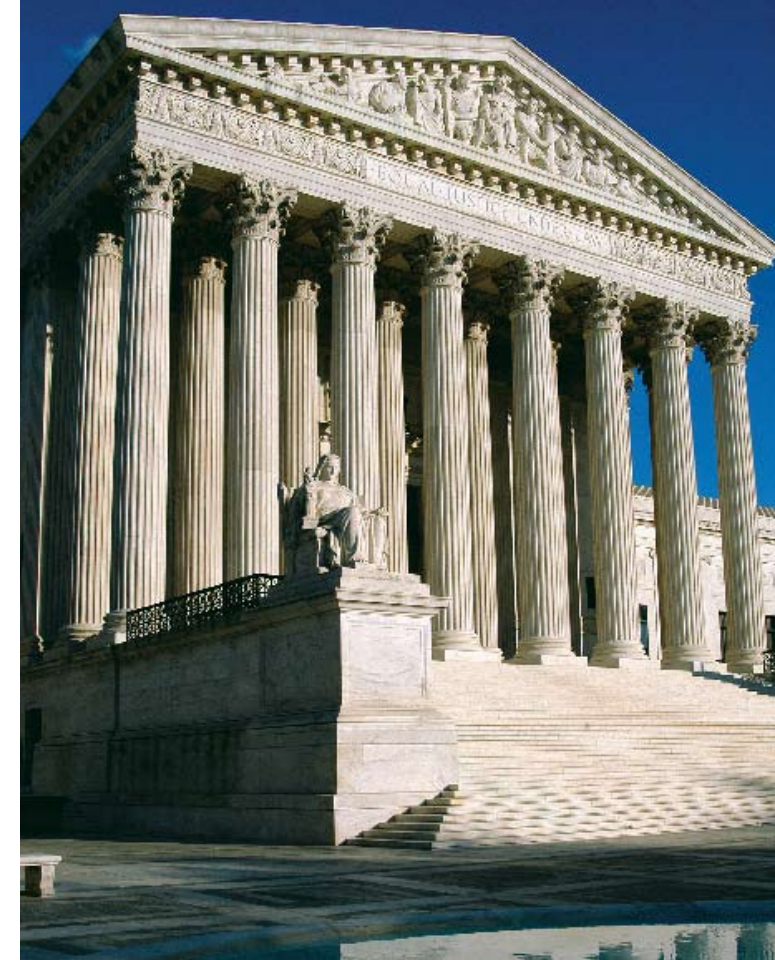
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## The Supreme Court Then and Now

Celebrating the 50th anniversary of  
the appointment of  
the Hon. Charles Evans Whittaker  
to the U.S. Supreme Court

# 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary



## **Charles E. Whittaker**

Charles E. Whittaker received his law degree from the Kansas City University (now University of Missouri-Kansas City) School of Law in 1924. After graduation, he joined a Kansas City law firm where he had worked part time during his student years, and within two years, the firm appointed him to senior partner.

Whittaker practiced law for the next 30 years, and was appointed to the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Missouri by President Dwight D. Eisenhower in 1954. Two years later, he was appointed to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eight Circuit. On March 2, 1957, President Eisenhower nominated him to the U.S. Supreme Court. Whittaker served on the Supreme Court for five years until retiring on March 31, 1962. He died Nov. 26, 1973 at the age of 72.



## **Kenneth Starr** Keynote speaker

Kenneth W. Starr is the Duane and Kelly Roberts Dean and Professor of Law at Pepperdine University School of Law and Of Counsel to the law firm of Kirkland & Ellis, LLP. A graduate of Duke Law School, he served as law clerk to Chief Justice Warren Burger before entering private practice. He has served as a counselor to the U.S. Attorney General and as a U.S. Circuit Judge. As Solicitor General of the United States, he argued 25 cases before the Supreme Court. He also served as Independent Counsel for five investigations, including Whitewater. His areas of expertise are appellate practice, antitrust, federal courts, federal jurisdiction and constitutional law.

## **Program of Speakers**

From Law Clerk to Tax Lawyer: The Value of My Clerkship Experience

### **Jerome B. Libin**

Former law clerk to Justice Charles Evans Whittaker  
Partner, Sutherland, Asbill and Brennan LLP

Reflections on Justice Charles Evans Whittaker

### **Alan Kohn**

Former law clerk to Justice Charles Evans Whittaker  
Member, Kohn, Shands, Elbert, Gianoulakis & Giljum LLP

The Supreme Court – The Past 50 Years

### **Kenneth Starr**

Author of ***First Among Equals: The Supreme Court in American Life***

Welcome From the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit

### **Hon. Pasco Bowman**

Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals  
Former Dean, UMKC School of Law

Welcome From the U.S. District Court, Western District of Missouri

### **Hon. Fernando Gaitan**

Chief Judge, U.S. District Court, Western District of Missouri