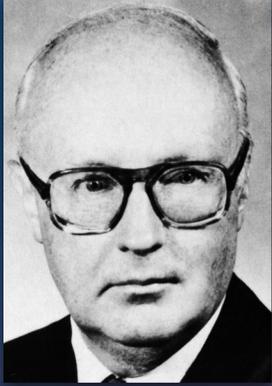




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## Gerard L. Goettel

**Born:**

August 5, 1928  
New York, NY

**Received Commission:**

March 30, 1976

**Died:**

December 19, 2011

Judge Goettel was appointed United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York on March 30, 1976 and entered on duty April 7, 1976. He received a B.A. degree from Duke University in 1950 and an LL.D. degree from Columbia University, where he was a Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar, in 1955. Judge Goettel served as a lieutenant in the United States Coast Guard from 1951 to 1953 and was an instructor in the reserve from 1953 to 1961.

Judge Goettel was a United States Magistrate for the Southern District of New York from 1971 to 1976. He was an Assistant United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York from 1955 to 1958 and Deputy Chief of the Attorney General's Special Group on Organized Crime, Department of Justice, from 1958 to 1959.

Judge Goettel was associate general counsel, The Overmyer Company, from 1969 to 1971; associated with the firm of Natanson and Reich from 1968 to 1969; counsel to the New York Life Insurance Company, from 1962 to 1968; and an associate with the firm of Lowenstein, Pitcher, Hotchkiss, Amann, and Parr, from 1959 to 1962.

Judge Goettel was president of the Sprain Lake (Yonkers) Civic Association; a director of the Community Action Program (War on Poverty); director, Council of Fresh Air Fund; vice president, Community Action Committee of Yonkers; and an area chairman, Columbia Alumni Fund. He was a member of the Insurance Committee of the Association of the Bar of the City of New York; American Bar Association; and the New York State Bar Association. He was Second Circuit coordinator for the National Conference of Special Court Judges' Committee on the Implementation of the Standards for Criminal Justice. He was a member of the Judicial Conference of the United States Committee on the Implementation of the Criminal Justice Act and was Chairman of the Southern District Defender Services Committee and Discovery Committee. He was an adjunct professor of law at Fordham University Law School and was an adjunct professor of law at Pace University Law School.