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Milton Pollack

Born:
September 29, 1906
New York, NY

Received Commission:
June 12, 1967

Died:
August 13, 2004

Judge Pollack was appointed United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York on June 12, 1967 and entered on duty September 29, 1967. He received a B.A. degree from Columbia University in 1927 and a J.D. degree from Columbia Law School in 1929. He was appointed by Chief Justice Berger to the Judicial Conference Panel on Multidistrict Litigation in 1982 and served thereon through 1995.

Judge Pollack has served on five additional committees of the Judicial Conference of the United States: Committee on Trial Practice and Technique (1968-70), Salary Committee (1971-72), Committee on Court Administration (1971-1987), , and Chairman of its Subcommittee on Supporting Personnel (1970-80), and Subcommittee on Jury Alternatives for Complex Litigation (1982-84). He served on the Federal Judicial Center's Board of Editors of the Manual for Complex Litigation and has served on numerous District Court Committees, including the Assignment Committee and the Jury Committee, of which he was Chairman. He received in 1993 the Award from New York County Lawyers' Association for Distinguished Service. He was the 1994 recipient of the Fordham-Stein Award and on May 11, 1995 received the 1995 Devitt Distinguished Service to Justice Award.

Judge Pollack presided over the litigation arising out of the collapse and bankruptcy of Drexel Burnham Lambert. He concluded the litigation in a little over three years.

Judge Pollack was a member of the American Bar Association, Association of the Bar of the City of New York, and the Institute of Judicial Administration.