



225th Anniversary
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Stephen C. Robinson

Born:

1957

Brooklyn, NY

Received Commission:

September 22, 2003

Service terminated on August 11, 2010, due to resignation.

Stephen C. Robinson became a judge of the District Court for the Southern District of New York in September 2003. He is a graduate of Cornell Law School (J.D. 1984) and Cornell University (B.A. in Government). After graduation from law school, he joined Alexander & Green, a corporate law firm in New York City. In 1987, Judge Robinson began the first of four stints of government service as an Assistant United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York. While in the U.S. Attorney's Office, Judge Robinson prosecuted narcotics cases, securities frauds, and white collar matters. In 1990, he was awarded the Department of Justice's Director's Award for Superior Service.

In 1991, Judge Robinson joined Kroll Associates, an international private investigations firm, as Associate General Counsel and later became a Managing Director. While at Kroll, he investigated Iraqi war crimes for the government of Kuwait and led an investigation into the actions of President Collor of Brazil on behalf of the Brazilian Congress. In 1993, Louise Freeh, the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, asked Judge Robinson to join the FBI as the Principal Deputy General Counsel. While he was at the FBI, Judge Robinson worked on espionage matters in addition to participating in the Oklahoma City bombing investigation. He was appointed into the Bureau's Senior Executive Service in 1994. In 1995, he joined Aetna Inc., in Connecticut, as Counsel and later as Chief Compliance Officer at Aetna U.S. Healthcare. At Aetna, he was the recipient of the 1997 Chairman's Award for his contributions to the company. In April 1998, Judge Robinson was confirmed as the United States Attorney for the District of Connecticut and served in that position for three years. From 2002 to 2003, Judge Robinson was the CEO of Empower New Haven, a nonprofit agency charged with awarding community revitalization grants from funds the city of New Haven received as a result of its designation as a "federal empowerment zone."

Judge Robinson served as a member of the Cornell University Council and on the Cornell Law School Advisory Council. He also served on the Board of Directors of Fordham Law School's Louis Stein Center for Law and Ethics.