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Richard J. Sullivan

Born:
1964
Manhasset, NY

Received Commission:
August 1, 2007

Richard J. Sullivan was sworn in as a United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York in August 2007. Prior to becoming a judge, he served as the General Counsel and Managing Director of Marsh, Inc., the world's leading risk and insurance services firm. From 1994 to 2005, he served as an Assistant United States Attorney in the Southern District of New York, where he was Chief of the International Narcotics Trafficking Unit and Director of the New York/New Jersey Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force. In 2003, he was awarded the Henry L. Stimson Medal from the Association of the Bar of the City of New York.

In 1998, he was named the Federal Law Enforcement Association's Prosecutor of the Year. Prior to joining the U.S. Attorney's Office, he was a litigation associate at Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz in New York and a law clerk to the Honorable David M. Ebel of the United States Court of Appeals for the 10th Circuit. He is a graduate of Yale Law School, the College of William & Mary, and Chaminade High School on Long Island. From 1986 to 1987, he served as a New York City Urban Fellow under New York City Police Commissioner Benjamin Ward. Judge Sullivan is on the executive board of the New York American Inn of Court and is an adjunct professor at Columbia Law School, where he teaches a course on sentencing, and at Fordham Law School, where he teaches courses on white collar crime and trial advocacy and was named Adjunct Professor of the Year.