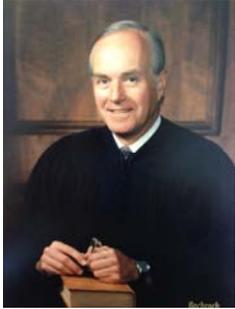


## Biography of Honorable Nathaniel M. Gorton



NATHANIEL M. GORTON was appointed United States District Judge by President George H. W. Bush in September, 1992. For 12 years he served as the first federal judge appointed to sit in the Central Division of the District of Massachusetts (Worcester). In 2004 he was reassigned to the Eastern Division (Boston) when Judge Robert Keeton took senior status. In 2001 Judge Gorton was appointed by Chief Justice Rehnquist to serve a seven-year term on the United States Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court which duties he performed in addition to his regular function as a district judge. Judge Gorton has served on the Judicial Conference Committee on Judicial Resources from 1997 to 2003 and is currently a member of the Committee on Intercircuit Assignments.

Prior to his appointment he was in private practice in Boston, Massachusetts for 26 years, first at Nutter, McClennen & Fish and then at Powers & Hall, P. C. where he engaged in all phases of civil business litigation in federal and state courts in Massachusetts and several other states. He was also General Counsel to his family seafood distribution business. He is a graduate of Dartmouth College and Columbia University Law School and served on active duty as an officer in the U. S. Navy in the western Pacific.