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The Judges of the United States District Court and the extended Court family will gather on September 24, 2010 at 3:00 p.m. to honor the memory of the Honorable Reginald C. Lindsay, who passed away on March 12, 2009. Judge Lindsay's portrait will be presented to the Court during the ceremony.

Judge Lindsay was born in 1945, in Birmingham, Alabama. He graduated from Morehouse College in 1967 and from the Harvard Law School in 1970. He was a partner at the law firm of Hill & Barlow from 1986 to 1993 and served as a Commissioner of Public Utilities in Massachusetts from 1975-1977. In 1993, President Bill Clinton appointed Reginald Lindsay to the United States District Court as the successor to David S. Nelson, who was the first African-American judge in this district.

At the time of Judge Lindsay's death, Chief Judge Wolf said, "Judge Lindsay proved again that a great judge must be a great man. His journey from being an African-American youth in segregated Alabama to becoming a federal judge in Boston has been compelling evidence of the enduring integrity of our nation's promise of equal opportunity for all. Reg Lindsay's distinguished work as a judge made a unique contribution to our nation's commitment to guaranteeing Equal Justice Under Law. Judge Lindsay's influence as an inspiring role model and mentor for disadvantaged youth assures that he will have a vibrant, living legacy."

Judge Lindsay was also one of the founders of the Court's David S. Nelson Fellowship for City of Boston high school students.

The speakers at tomorrow's memorial are: Judge Patti B. Saris, Governor Deval L. Patrick, Michael S. Greco, Esq., Maura T. Healey, Esq., Sozi Pedro Tulante, Esq., Ms. Marie Losco, Rev. Gregory G. Groover, Sr., Jermaine Kidd, Esq. and Jeffrey M. Cohen, Esq.

The ceremony will be held in the En Banc Courtroom on the Seventh Floor of the John Joseph Moakley Courthouse.

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