

Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court

This chart lists all the Chief Justices and Associate Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court since 1801. Using the vertical columns the reader may determine the order of succession for each seat on the bench. A shaded box indicates that a seat was not yet created or remained vacant for an extended period.

Upon the appointment of Justice Caleb Cushing in 1852, the Court had six Justices. Upon the appointment of Justice William Endicott in 1873, the Court had seven Justices.

Year	Chief Justice	Associate Justice	Associate Justice	Associate Justice	Associate Justice	Associate Justice	Associate Justice
1801	Francis Dana (1791)	Simeon Strong (1801)	Thomas Dawes (1792)	Samuel Sewall (1800)	George Thatcher (1801)	(not yet created)	(not yet created)
1802							
1803			Theodore Sedgwick				
1804							
1805							
1806	Theophilus Parsons	Isaac Parker					
1807							
1808							
1809							
1810							
1811							

Year	Chief Justice	Associate Justice	Associate Justice	Associate Justice	Associate Justice	Associate Justice	Associate Justice		
1812	Theophilus Parsons (cont.)	Isaac Parker (cont.)	Theodore Sedgwick (cont.)	Samuel Sewall (cont.)	George Thatcher (cont.)	(not yet created)	(not yet created)		
1813									
1814	Samuel Sewall	Samuel Putnam	Charles Jackson						
	Isaac Parker			Daniel Dewey					
1815							Samuel Wilde		
1816									
1817									
1818									
1819									
1820									
1821									
1822									
1823									
1824									
				Levi Lincoln					
1825									

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	Isaac Parker (cont.)	Samuel Putnam (cont.)	(vacant)	Samuel Wilde (cont.)	Marcus Morton	(not yet created)	(not yet created)
1826							
1827							
1828							
1829							
1830							
	Lemuel Shaw						
1831							
1832							
1833							
1834							
1835							
1836							
1837							
1838							
1839							

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	Lemuel Shaw (cont.)	Samuel Putnam (cont.)	Charles Dewey (cont.)	Samuel Wilde (cont.)	Marcus Morton (cont.)	(not yet created)	(not yet created)	
1840								
					(vacant)			
1841								
1842								
		Samuel Hubbard						
1843								
1844								
1845								
1846								
1847								
1848								Charles Forbes
		Richard Fletcher						
1849								
1850								
		George Bigelow						
1851								

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1852	Lemuel Shaw (cont.)	Richard Fletcher (cont.)	Charles Dewey (cont.)	George Bigelow (cont.)	Theron Metcalf (cont.)	Caleb Cushing	(not yet created)
1853		Benjamin Thomas				Pliny Merrick	
1854							
1855							
1856							
1857							
1858	Ebenezer Hoar						
1859							
1860							
1861			George Bigelow	Reuben Chapman			
1862							
1863							
1864	Horace Gray						
1865							

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	Waldridge Field (cont.)	Charles Allen (cont.)	Oliver W. Holmes (cont.)	James Barker (cont.)	James Morton (cont.)	John Lathrop (cont.)	Marcus Knowlton (cont.)
1894							
1895							
1896							
1897							
1898							
	Oliver W. Holmes	John Hammond	William Loring				
1899							
1900							
1901							
1902							
	Marcus Knowlton						Henry Braley
1903							
1904							
1905							
1906							
1907							

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	Marcus Knowlton (cont.)	John Hammond (cont.)	William Loring (cont.)	Henry Sheldon (cont.)	James Morton (cont.)	Arthur Rugg (cont.)	Henry Braley (cont.)
1908							
1909							
1910							
1911	Arthur Rugg						
1912							
1913							
1914							
	Edward Pierce			John Crosby			
1915							
1916							
1917							
1918			James Carroll				
1919							
1920							
1921							

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	Arthur Rugg (cont.)	Edward Pierce (cont.)	Charles Jenney (cont.)	James Carroll (cont.)	John Crosby (cont.)	Charles Decourcy (cont.)	Henry Braley (cont.)
1922							
1923							
1924							
1925							
1926							
1927							
1928							
1929			Fred T. Field				
1930							
1931							
1932							
1933							
1934							
1935							

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	Arthur Rugg (cont.)	Edward Pierce (cont.)	Stanley Qua (cont.)	Charles Donahue (cont.)	John Crosby (cont.)	Henry Lummus (cont.)	Fred T. Field (cont.)	
1936								
1937								
		Louis Cox			Arthur Dolan			
1938								
	Fred T. Field						James Ronan	
1939								
1940								
1941								
1942								
1943								
1944								
1945							Raymond Wilkins	John Spalding
1946								
1947								
	Stanley Qua		Harold Williams					
1948								
1949								

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	Stanley Qua (cont.)	Raymond Wilkins (cont.)	Harold Williams (cont.)	John Spalding (cont.)	Edward Counihan	Henry Lummus (cont.)	James Ronan (cont.)
1950							
1951							
1952							
1953							
1954							
1955							
1956							
	Raymond Wilkins	R. Ammi Cutter				Arthur Whittemore	
1957							
1958							
1959							
1960							
1961							
1962							
1963							
					Jacob Spiegel		Paul Kirk
			Paul Reardon				

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	Raymond Wilkins (cont.)	R. Ammi Cutter (cont.)	Paul Reardon (cont.)	John Spalding (cont.)	Jacob Spiegel (cont.)	Arthur Whitemore (cont.)	Paul Kirk (cont.)
1964							
1965							
1966							
1967							
1968							
1969							
1970						Francis Quirico	
	G. Joseph Tauro			Edward F. Hennessey	Herbert Wilkins		Robert Braucher
1971							
1972							
1973							
1974							
1975							
1976							
	Edward F. Hennessey			Paul J. Liacos			
1977							

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	Edward F. Hennessey (cont.)	Benjamin Kaplan (cont.)	Ruth Abrams	Paul J. Liacos (cont.)	Herbert Wilkins (cont.)	Francis Quirico (cont.)	Robert Braucher (cont.)
1978							
1979							
1980							
1981							
1982							
1983							
1984							
1985							
1986							
1987							
1988							
1989	Paul J. Liacos	Neil L. Lynch	Joseph Nolan	Francis O'Connor			
1990							
1991							

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	Paul J. Liacos (cont.)	Neil L. Lynch (cont.)	Ruth Abrams (cont.)	John M. Greaney (cont.)	Herbert Wilkins (cont.)	Joseph Nolan (cont.)	Francis O'Connor (cont.)				
1992											
1993											
1994											
1995											
					Charles Fried	Roderick L. Ireland					
1996											
	Herbert P. Wilkins				Margaret Marshall						
1997											
1998											
1999											
	Margaret H. Marshall					Francis X. Spina	Judith A. Cowin				
2000											
						Martha B. Sosman		Robert J. Cordy			
2001											
2002											
2003											
2004											
2005											

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	Margaret H. Marshall (cont.)	Martha B. Sosman (cont.)	Robert J. Cordy (cont.)	John M. Greaney (cont.)	Francis X. Spina (cont.)	Judith A. Cowin (cont.)	Roderick L. Ireland (cont.)
2006							
2007							
2008							
2009							
2010		Margot Botsford		Ralph D. Gants			
	Roderick L. Ireland						
2011							
2012							
2013							