

**SUPREME COURT
OF
NORTH CAROLINA**

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Court Motto

“Suum Cuique Tribuere”

“TO RENDER TO EVERYONE HIS OWN”

ONE OF THE THREE FUNDAMENTAL MAXIMS
OF THE LAW LAID DOWN BY JUSTINIAN

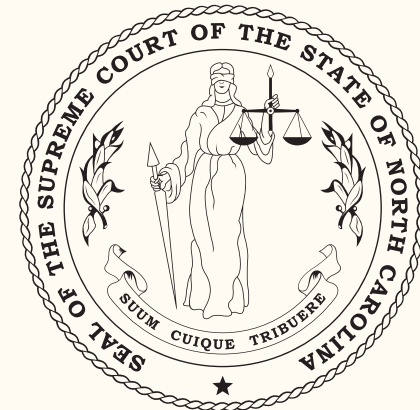
INVESTITURE

OF

Mark A. Davis

ASSOCIATE JUSTICE

SUPREME COURT OF NORTH CAROLINA



Law and Justice Building
Raleigh, North Carolina

April 3, 2019
2:00 p.m.

Mark Allen Davis is a lifelong resident of North Carolina. He was born in Jacksonville to Leah and Bernard Davis and is the youngest of three children. In 1975, the family moved to Fayetteville. He graduated from E.E. Smith High School in 1984. He received his undergraduate degree in Political Science from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill where he was inducted into Phi Beta Kappa. He obtained his law degree from the University of North Carolina School of Law and served on the North Carolina Law Review.

Upon graduation from law school, Justice Davis served as a law clerk to the Honorable Franklin T. Dupree, Jr., in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina. He then practiced law for almost two decades. From 1993 to 2006, he worked in the Raleigh office of Womble Carlyle Sandridge & Rice where he became a member of the firm in its Litigation Section. For the next five years, he served as a Special Deputy Attorney General in the North Carolina Department of Justice. As a practicing attorney, he litigated over two hundred cases in the state and federal courts. He also handled over 65 appeals, making numerous appearances in the Supreme Court of North Carolina, the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit, and the North Carolina Court of Appeals. He also handled a number of pro bono cases in conjunction with the Wake County Volunteer Lawyers Program.

For approximately two years, Justice Davis served as General Counsel in the Office of the Governor. In 2012, he was appointed to the North Carolina Court of Appeals by Governor Beverly Perdue. During his six years as an Associate Judge on the Court of Appeals, he authored over 500 opinions. While serving on the Court of Appeals, he was accepted into the Master of Laws program in Judicial Studies at the Duke University School of Law and received his LL.M. degree in 2018.

Justice Davis has been active in professional and civic organizations. He has served on a number of committees of the North Carolina Bar Association and has lectured extensively throughout the state on appellate advocacy issues. He is a member of The Rotary Club of Raleigh, the Susie Sharp Inn of Court, and the Supreme Court Historical Society and has served as a coach of youth basketball and soccer. He is also a recipient of The Order of the Long Leaf Pine.

Justice Davis lives in Raleigh with his wife, Marcia Schwartz Davis, and their three children, Jack, Ted, and Lea. He and his family are longtime members of Congregation Sha'arei Israel.

PROGRAM

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| Sounding of the Gavel | Amy L. Funderburk Clerk Supreme Court of North Carolina |
| Invocation | Rabbi Pinchas Herman Congregation Sha'arei Israel Raleigh, North Carolina |
| Welcoming Remarks | The Honorable Cheri Beasley Chief Justice Supreme Court of North Carolina |
| Special Remarks | Dean J. Rich Leonard Justice (Ret.) Robert F. Orr Chief Justice (Ret.) James G. Exum, Jr. |
| Recognition of Attorney General | Chief Justice Cheri Beasley |
| Presentation of Commission | The Honorable Josh H. Stein Attorney General State of North Carolina |
| Introduction | The Honorable Burley B. Mitchell, Jr. Chief Justice (Ret.) |
| Administration of Oath | Chief Justice Cheri Beasley |
| Remarks | The Honorable Mark A. Davis Associate Justice Supreme Court of North Carolina |
| Benediction | Rabbi Eric M. Solomon Beth Meyer Synagogue Raleigh, North Carolina |
| Adjournment | Amy L. Funderburk |

*Reception following ceremony at
Market Hall • 215 Wolfe Street • Raleigh, N.C.*