JUDGE MICHAEL M. BAYLSON

Michael M. Baylson was appointed to the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania by President George W. Bush and took office on July 12, 2002. He was born in Philadelphia in 1939, and graduated from Cheltenham High School (1957), the Wharton School of Finance & Commerce (B.S. Econ., 1961) and the Law School (LL.B., 1964) of the University of Pennsylvania.


After serving as United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania from October 1988 through January 1993, Judge Baylson returned to Duane Morris and resumed an active law practice. He served as Chair of the Trial Department and as a member of the firm’s Executive Committee.

Judge Baylson was a founder, and later counsel, to Gaudenzia, Inc., the largest non-profit provider of drug, alcohol and mental health rehabilitation services in Pennsylvania.

Judge Baylson served as a member of the Advisory Committee on Civil Rules of the Judicial Conference of the United States from 2005 - 2010 and the Third Circuit Committee on Model Criminal Jury Instructions. He is an Adjunct Professor at the University of Pennsylvania Law School.

He is married to Frances Ruth Batzer Baylson, M.D, and resides in the East Falls neighborhood of Philadelphia.