

## Chief Justice Mark S. Cady



Chief Justice Cady, Ft. Dodge, has served on the Iowa Supreme Court since 1998. The members of the court selected him as chief justice in 2010.

Chief Justice Cady was born in Rapid City, South Dakota. He earned both his undergraduate and law degrees from Drake University. After graduating from law school in 1978, he served as a judicial law clerk for the Second Judicial District for one year. He was then appointed as an assistant Webster County attorney and practiced with a law firm in Fort Dodge. Chief Justice Cady was appointed a district associate judge in 1983 and a district court judge in 1986. In 1994, he was appointed to the Iowa Court of Appeals. He was elected chief judge of the Court of Appeals in 1997 and served until his appointment to the supreme court.

Chief Justice Cady is a member of the Order of Coif (honorary), Iowa Bar Association, American Bar Association, Iowa Judges Association, and Iowa Academy of Trial Lawyers (honorary). He also served as chair of the Supreme Court's Task Force on the Court's and Communities' Response to Domestic Abuse and is a member of the Drake Law School Board of Counselors. Chief Justice Cady is the coauthor of *Iowa Practice: Lawyer and Judicial Ethics* (Thomson-West 2007). He is also the coauthor of *Preserving the Delicate Balance Between Judicial Accountability and Independence: Merit Selection in the Post-White World*, 16 Cornell J.L. and Pub. Pol'y 101 (2008) and the author of *Curbing Litigation Abuse and Misuse: A Judicial Approach*, 36 Drake L. Rev. 481 (1987).

Chief Justice Cady is an adjunct faculty member at Buena Vista University, serves on the President's Advisory Council and is the Iowa chair of iCivics Inc. He is married and has two children.

His current term expires December 31, 2016.