THE U.S. COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FEDERAL CIRCUIT:
IMMEDIATE AND FUTURE CHALLENGES

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Jimmie V. Reyna, Circuit Judge. The Honorable Jimmie V. Reyna was appointed to the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit by President Barack Obama in 2011. Prior to his appointment, Judge Reyna was an international trade attorney and shareholder at Williams Mullen, where, from 1998 to 2011, he directed the firm’s Trade and Customs Practice Group and its Latin America Task Force and served on its board of directors.

Judge Reyna served on the U.S. roster of dispute settlement panelists for trade disputes under Chapter 19 of the North American Free Trade Agreement and the U.S. Indicative List of Non-Governmental Panelists for the World Trade Organization, Dispute Settlement Mechanism, for both trade in goods and trade in services.

Judge Reyna is the author of two books, Passport to North American Trade: Rules of Origin and Customs Procedures Under the NAFTA (Shepard’s 1995), and The GATT Uruguay Round, A Negotiating History: Services, 1986-1992 (Kluwer 1993) and numerous articles on international trade and customs issues. He was the founder and senior co-editor of the Hispanic National Bar Association Journal of Law and Policy.

Judge Reyna is a recipient of the Ohtli Award (the highest honor bestowed by the Mexican government on non-Mexican citizens). Other awards include: 100 Influentials, Hispanic Business Magazine (2011); 101 Latino Leaders in America, Latino Leaders Magazine 2011; Minority Business Leader, Washington Business Journal; Extraordinary Leadership, Hispanic National Bar Association (HNBA); Lifetime Honorary Membership, Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers; Distinguished Citizen Award, Military Airlift Command, U.S. Air Force; and Spirit of Excellence Award, Albuquerque Hispano Chamber of Commerce.

Judge Reyna served over a decade of leadership in the Hispanic National Bar Association, including as National President (2006-07). He served in various leadership positions in the ABA Sections on International Law and Dispute Settlement. He was a founder and member of the board of directors of the U.S.-Mexico Law Institute and the Community Services for Autistic Adults and Children Foundation. He currently serves on the Nationwide Hispanic Advisory Council of Big Brothers Big Sisters of America.

He received a B.A. from the University of Rochester in 1975 and a J.D. from the University of New Mexico School of Law in 1978.

The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit: Immediate and Future Challenges

Circuit Judge Reyna will address the present status of the Federal Circuit. Topics will include the CAFC’s jurisdiction, the nature of its most challenging cases, the effect of the America Invents Act, and international activity in patent law.
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