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## UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE JOHN NORDBERG RETIRES AFTER 32 YEARS OF SERVICE

Chicago- Today, Chief United States District Judge Ruben Castillo announced that United States District Judge John Nordberg will leave the bench after exactly 32 years of service. Judge Nordberg was appointed as District Judge on April 21, 1982, when then President Ronald Reagan signed his commission. Since June 18, 1994, Judge Nordberg has served as a Senior Judge for the Northern District of Illinois.

Chief Judge Castillo stated, "Judge Nordberg has proudly served his country for 32 years as a United States District Judge." Chief Judge Castillo continued, "Judge Nordberg has spent most of his adult life in public service. At the age of 18, Judge Nordberg began his career in public service while in the United States Navy in the Pacific during World War II. I am proud to have been a colleague of Judge Nordberg. He is an example of dedicated service to the United States and his legacy will live on in the Northern District of Illinois."

Judge Nordberg received his Bachelor's degree from Carleton College and his Law Degree from the University of Michigan. Prior to his appointment as an United States District Court Judge, he also served as judge in the Circuit Court of Cook County.

With its twenty-two authorized district judgeships, the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois is the third largest district court in the nation. The Court's current caseload includes more than 12,000 new civil cases filed and more than 900 new felony criminal defendants annually.

The Northern District of Illinois stretches across 18 counties from the southernmost point in La Salle County to the westernmost point in Jo Davies County at the Iowa border, an area of nearly 10,100 square miles, with a total population of nearly 9.3 million persons. These counties are divided into the Eastern and Western Divisions of the Northern District of Illinois with courthouses in Chicago and Rockford.

More information about the Northern District of Illinois is available at its website: <a href="https://www.ilnd.uscourts.gov">www.ilnd.uscourts.gov</a>

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