

## STATEMENT



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## STATEMENT OF THE CHIEF JUDGE ON THE PASSING OF DISTRICT JUDGE JAMES B. MORAN

CHICAGO – James B. Moran, former chief judge of the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois, died this morning in Evanston, Illinois. Judge Moran, who was appointed to the Northern District of Illinois by President Carter in 1979, was 78 years old. Judge Moran served as chief judge from 1990 to 1995, and assumed senior status soon thereafter.

Judge Moran was one of the most beloved judges on our court. His dedicated service to the federal courts over the past 30 years was unsurpassed.

Judge Moran was an outstanding jurist, an outstanding human being, and a wonderful colleague. Jim was a person who loved people, loved lawyers, loved his family, and loved being a judge. We will miss him greatly, and our hearts go out to his entire family.

I will personally miss him because of all the good advice he provided to me over the many years I have been on the bench.

We will provide further information as it becomes available.

*Chief Judge James F. Holderman*