

Statement by Governor Markell on Retirement of Supreme Court Justice Carolyn Berger

Wilmington, DE – Governor Markell today announced he has received formal written notice from The Honorable Carolyn Berger, Justice of the Delaware Supreme Court, of Justice Berger's intention to retire from the Supreme Court effective September 1, 2014. In connection with that notice, Governor Markell issued the following statement:

"For more than three decades, Justice Carolyn Berger has served the State of Delaware with distinction as a member of the finest judiciary in the nation. As the first female member of both the Delaware Court of Chancery and the Delaware Supreme Court, Justice Berger 'broke through the glass ceiling' not once but twice. Justice Berger is a trailblazing jurist whose commitment to justice is second to none. I salute her for her service to the State of Delaware and wish her all the best as she moves toward retirement."

Justice Berger was appointed as a Vice Chancellor of the Delaware Court of Chancery in 1984, where she served until her appointment to the Delaware Supreme Court in 1994. Prior to being appointed to the bench, Justice Berger served as a Deputy Attorney General with the Delaware Department of Justice; as an associate at Prickett, Ward, Burt & Sanders; and as an associate at Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom. Justice Berger is a graduate of the University of Rochester, Boston University (M.Ed.), and the Boston University School of Law (J.D.).