

**THE HONORABLE CATHARINE FRIEND EASTERLY  
ASSOCIATE JUDGE  
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA COURT OF APPEALS**

Judge Catharine Friend Easterly was appointed to the District of Columbia Court of Appeals in 2011 by President Barack Obama.

Judge Easterly was born in Boston, Massachusetts, but spent most of her childhood in Richmond, Virginia. She received her B.A., cum laude and with Distinction in History, from Yale College in 1992, and her J.D. from the University of Virginia School of Law in 1996.

After graduating from law school, Judge Easterly worked as an appellate public defender, first at the Legal Aid Society of Nassau County, New York, and then at the Office of the Appellate Defender in New York City. She then joined the New York firm Stillman and Friedman, P.C. as an associate. In 2003, Judge Easterly joined the Special Litigation Division of the Public Defender Service for the District of Columbia, where she worked until her appointment to the Court of Appeals.

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