



WIKIPEDIA
The Free Encyclopedia

Navigation

[Main page](#)
[Contents](#)
[Featured content](#)
[Current events](#)
[Random article](#)
[Donate to Wikipedia](#)

Interaction

[Help](#)
[About Wikipedia](#)
[Community portal](#)
[Recent changes](#)
[Contact Wikipedia](#)

Toolbox

[What links here](#)
[Related changes](#)
[Upload file](#)
[Special pages](#)
[Permanent link](#)
[Cite this page](#)
[Rate this page](#)

Print/export

[Create a book](#)
[Download as PDF](#)
[Printable version](#)

Article

[Discussion](#)

Read

[Edit](#)

[View](#) ▾



Please read:

A personal appeal from

Wikipedia programmer [Brandon Harris](#)

[Read now](#)



James E. Edmondson

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

James E. Edmondson (born 1945), is currently the Chief Justice on the [Oklahoma Supreme Court](#). He was elected to this position by the other eight members of the Supreme Court in 2009 after he was appointed to the Court's District 7 seat by Governor [Brad Henry](#) in 2003.^[1]

James Edmondson was born in [Kansas City, Missouri](#),^[2] and is the son of [Ed Edmondson](#), a former U.S. Congressman, and June Edmondson, a nephew of former U.S. Senator and Oklahoma Governor [J. Howard Edmondson](#), and the brother of former state Attorney General [Drew Edmondson](#).

Contents [hide]

- [1 Early life](#)
- [2 Judge](#)
- [3 Personal life](#)
- [4 References](#)

Early life

[edit]

He graduated from Central High School (eventually integrated into [Muskogee High School](#)), before attending [Northeastern State University](#).^[3] Following graduation from NSU in 1967, he served in the [United States Navy](#) for two years.^[4] He earned his law degree from [Georgetown University](#) in 1973. From 1976 to 1978, he served as an Assistant District Attorney in [Muskogee County, Oklahoma](#).^[5] From 1978 to 1981, he served in the U.S. Attorney's office in [Muskogee, Oklahoma](#), as Assistant U.S. Attorney, and later Acting U.S. Attorney.^[6] From 1981 to 1983, he was a Partner in the Edmondson Law Firm along with his brother.^[7]

Judge

[edit]

In 1983, he was appointed as Judge for the 15th state Judicial District and served in that post until his appointment to the state supreme court.^[8]

Personal life

[edit]

He is married to Suzanne Rumler Edmondson and has two children.^[9] His daughter Sarah Edmondson is currently serving a 35-year prison sentence for her role in an allegedly movie-inspired crime spree with her boyfriend which included a murder and robbery in Mississippi, and a robbery and attempted murder in Louisiana.^{[10][11]} Sarah Edmondson has been released on parole as of 20 May 2010^[12] and will be serving her parole in Oklahoma. Her parole is to end June 1, 2025.

Oklahoma



This article is part of the series:
Politics and government of Oklahoma

Constitution

Executive

Legislature

Judiciary

Elections

Divisions

Federal Relations

Other countries • Atlas

Politics portal
view • talk • edit

References

[edit]

- ↑ "Chief Justice James E. Edmondson, District No. 7." Oklahoma Supreme Court Biography. Retrieved 10-12-09
- ↑ "James E. Edmondson." Project VoteSmart.org. Retrieved 10-12-09
- ↑ "Edmondson named chief justice of Oklahoma Supreme Court." Muskogee Phoenix. November 6, 2008. 10-12-09
- ↑ Oklahoma Supreme Court Biography. Retrieved 10-12-09
- ↑ Oklahoma Supreme Court Biography. 10-12-09
- ↑ Oklahoma Supreme Court Biography. Retrieved 10-12-09
- ↑ Project VoteSmart.org. 10-12-09
- ↑ Project VoteSmart.org. 10-12-09
- ↑ "Edmondson named chief justice of Oklahoma Supreme Court." *Muskogee Phoenix*, November 6, 2008. 10-12-09
- ↑ Shapiro, Dean M. "Natural Born Killers." truTV Crime Library. Retrieved 10-12-09
- ↑ "RCFP: Judge dismisses 'Natural Born Killers' incitement case." March 13, 2001. 10-12-09
- ↑ tulsaworld.com

v · d · e	Current Chief Justices of state and territorial Supreme Courts of the United States				
AL: Sue Bell Cobb	IL: Thomas L. Kilbride	MO: ‡	OR: Paul De Muniz	WI: Shirley Abrahamson	
AK: ‡	IN: Randall T. Shepard	William Ray Price, Jr.	PA:	WY: ‡ Marilyn S. Kite	
Walter L. Carpeneti	IA: ‡ Marsha K. Ternus	MT: Mike McGrath	Ronald D. Castille	AS: F. Michael Kruse	
AZ: ‡	KS: ‡ Lawton Nuss	NE: ‡ Michael Heavican	RI: ‡ Paul Suttell	DC: Eric T. Washington	
Rebecca White Berch	KY: John D. Minton, Jr.	NV:	SC: ‡ Jean H. Toal	GU: ‡ Robert J. Torres, Jr.	
AR: James Hannah	LA:	Michael L. Douglas	SD: ‡	MP: ‡ Miguel S. Demapan	
CA: ‡	Catherine D. "Kitty" Kimball	NH: ‡	David Gilbertson	PR:	
Tani Cantil-Sakauye	ME: ‡ Leigh Saufley	Linda Stewart Dalanian	TN: ‡ Cornelia Clark	Federico Hernández Denton	
CO: ‡ Michael Bender	MD: ‡ Robert M. Bell	NJ: ‡ Stuart Rabner	TX:	VI: ‡ Rhys S. Hodge	
CT: ‡	MA: ‡ Roderick L. Ireland	NM:	Wallace B. Jefferson		
Chase T. Rogers	MI: Robert P. Young, Jr.	Charles W. Daniels	UT: ‡		
DE: Myron T. Steele	MN: Lorie Skjerven Gildea	NY: ‡	Christine M. Durham		
FL: ‡	MS: William L. Waller, Jr.	Jonathan Lippman	VT: ‡ Paul Reiber		
Charles T. Canady		NC: Sarah Parker	VA: Cynthia D. Kinser		
GA:		ND:	WA: Barbara Madsen		
Carol W. Hunstein		Gerald W. VandeWalle	WV:		
HI: ‡		OH:	Margaret L. Workman		
Mark E. Recktenwald		Maureen O'Connor			
ID:		OK:			
Daniel T. Eismann		James E. Edmondson			

Note: ‡ – State's Supreme Court is appointed

v · d · e	Current elected statewide political officials of Oklahoma
U.S. Senators	Jim Inhofe · Tom Coburn ·
State government	Mary Fallin, Governor · Todd Lamb, Lieutenant Governor · Glenn Coffee, Secretary of State · Gary Jones, State Auditor and Inspector · Scott Pruitt, Attorney General · Ken A. Miller, State Treasurer · Janet Barresi, State School Superintendent · Mark Costello, Labor Commissioner · John D. Doak, Insurance Commissioner · Bob Anthony, Corporation Commissioner · Jeff Cloud, Corporation Commissioner · Dana Murphy, Corporation Commissioner ·
Senate	Brian Bingman, President pro tempore · Mike Schulz, Majority Leader · Andrew Rice, Minority Leader ·
House	Kris Steele, Speaker · Jeffrey W. Hickman, Speaker pro tempore · Scott Inman, Minority Leader ·
Supreme Court	Steven W. Taylor, Chief Justice · Tom Colbert, Vice Chief Justice · Yvonne Kauger · Joseph M. Watt · James R. Winchester · John F. Reif · James E. Edmondson · Doug Combs · Noma Gurich ·
	AL · AK · AZ · AR · CA · CO · CT · DE · FL · GA · HI · ID · IL · IN · IA · KS · KY · LA · ME · MD · MA · MI · MN · MS · MO · MT · NE · NV · NH · NJ · NM · NY · NC · ND · OH · OK · OR · PA · RI · SC · SD · TN · TX · UT · VT · VA · WA · WV · WI · WY ·

View page ratings

Rate this page

What's this?

Trustworthy

Objective

Complete

Well-written

I am highly knowledgeable about this topic (optional)

I have a relevant college/university degree

It is part of my profession

It is a deep personal passion

The source of my knowledge is not listed here

I would like to help improve Wikipedia, send me an e-mail (optional)

We will send you a confirmation e-mail. We will not share your e-mail address with outside parties as per our [feedback privacy statement](#).

[Submit ratings](#)

Saved successfully

Your ratings have not been submitted yet

Your ratings have expired

Please reevaluate this page and submit new ratings.

An error has occurred. Please try again later.

Thanks! Your ratings have been saved.

Please take a moment to complete a short survey.

[Start survey](#) [Maybe later](#)

Thanks! Your ratings have been saved.

Do you want to create an account?

An account will help you track your edits, get involved in discussions, and be a part of the community.

[Create an account](#) or [Log in](#) [Maybe later](#)

Thanks! Your ratings have been saved.

Did you know that you can edit this page?

[Edit this page](#) [Maybe later](#)

Categories: [1945 births](#) | [Living people](#) | [People from Kansas City, Missouri](#)
| [Northeastern State University alumni](#) | [Oklahoma Supreme Court justices](#)
| [Georgetown University Law Center alumni](#) | [People from Muskogee, Oklahoma](#) | [Edmondson family](#)

This page was last modified on 19 September 2011 at 08:44.

Text is available under the [Creative Commons Attribution-ShareAlike License](#); additional terms may apply. See [Terms of use](#) for details.

Wikipedia® is a registered trademark of the [Wikimedia Foundation, Inc.](#), a non-profit organization.

[Contact us](#)

[Privacy policy](#) [About Wikipedia](#) [Disclaimers](#) [Mobile view](#)

