



Honorable Richard D. Sievers

Judgeship

1991 – present

Judge of the Nebraska Court of Appeals, [1st Judicial District](#)

1991 – 1996

Chief Judge of the Nebraska Court of Appeals

(Appointed December 13, 1991, by the Nebraska Supreme Court as first Chief Judge of the Nebraska Court of Appeals)

Experience

1972 – 1991

Lincoln, NE

Private practice of law

Education

University of Nebraska College of Law, 1972 Juris Doctorate

Kearney State College, 1969 Bachelor of Arts

Dual minors in English and Political Science

Judicial/Law Related Activities

Professional Affiliations

Nebraska State Bar Association

Committee on Mandatory Continuing Legal Education, 1994

Nebraska State Bar Foundation

Board of Directors, 2006 – present

Nebraska State Bar/Local Attorney Association Committees

Nebraska Continuing Legal Education, Board of Directors,
1987 – 1993

Legal Services of Southeast Nebraska (formerly Legal Aid Society)

President, 1987 – 1989

Board of Directors, 1977 – 1989

National Committees/Advisory Boards

National High School Mock Trial Championship Board of Directors,
2006---Present, Policy Committee, Chair, 2011 to present

Special Committee on Religious Accommodations, Chair, 2009 to present

National Advisory Council, American Judicature Society,
2007 – 2010

2004 Project Advisory Committee, State Justice Institute project,
which produced publication “Reaching Out or Overreaching:
Judicial Ethics and Self Represented Litigants” under
authorship of Cynthia Gray, PhD.

Nebraska Supreme Court Committees

Pro Se Litigation Committee, chairperson, 2001 – present
Practice and Procedure Committee, liaison member,
2004 – present

Honors and Awards

2005 Nebraska Supreme Court Outstanding Judge, for Service to the Community: is the highest honor given by the Chief Justice to recognize members of the judiciary for meritorious projects and exemplary accomplishments that enhance the vision of justice within Nebraska communities.

Nebraska State Bar Association Award of Special Merit, 1996

Given for outstanding leadership in the initial establishment and operation of the Nebraska Court of Appeals

Nebraska State Bar Foundation Fellow: Selection to become a Fellow in the Nebraska State Bar Foundation is based on the integrity and character of the lawyer/judge. The Foundation recognizes established legal professionals who are dedicated to improving the administration of justice. Fellows are accredited by colleagues as leaders of the legal profession who contribute to the charitable and community education works of Foundation.

Teaching & Publishing

Author, “Citizens Guide to the Nebraska Appellate Courts,” available online and in hard copy at offices of Clerks of District Court statewide, 2009

Speaker, various education sessions for court staff and judges regarding Pro Se (self-represented) Litigation

Adjunct faculty, University of Nebraska College of Law, taught trial advocacy and pre-trial litigation, 1988 - 2000