



The United States Bankruptcy Court for the Middle District of Florida is saddened to announce the Honorable Paul M. Glenn passed away on July 7, 2019. Judge Glenn was a true gentleman who was as wise as he was kind. He served the Middle District of Florida with honor and distinction and he will be greatly missed by his colleagues in this District and his extended court family in Tampa and Jacksonville. A memorial service for Judge Glenn will be held on Saturday, July 13, 2019, at 11:00 a.m., at Southside United Methodist Church, 3120 Hendricks Avenue, Jacksonville, Florida 32207.

Judge Glenn was appointed to the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Middle District of Florida, Tampa Division, in 1993. In June 2008, Judge Glenn transferred from the Tampa Division to the Jacksonville Division. From March 2003 to September 2011, Judge Glenn served as Chief Bankruptcy Judge for the Middle District of Florida. In 2013, he was appointed to the Committee on the Budget of the Judicial Conference of the United States and served until 2017.

Judge Glenn graduated from Duke University School of Law in 1970, where he was President of the Law School student body. He received his undergraduate degree cum laude from Florida State University, where he was selected to Phi Beta Kappa, Phi Kappa Phi, Phi Eta Sigma, Omicron Delta Kappa, and Gold Key. He attended F.S.U. on a basketball scholarship, and in his senior year was selected as Most Valuable Player on the Varsity Basketball team. He learned the principles of teamwork and problem-solving as a college athlete, and those principles helped shape his career.

Judge Glenn practiced corporate, commercial, banking, and insurance law in Jacksonville and Miami, Florida, during the 1970's. During the 1980's he served as the Chief Executive and Chief Administrative Officer of two insurance companies, and in 1984 he received the Distinguished Service Award from the Florida Association of Domestic Insurance Companies. He practiced corporate and commercial law and litigation in the early 1990's and was appointed as a United States Bankruptcy Judge in 1993.

During his career as a Bankruptcy Judge, Judge Glenn was active in local, state, and national bar and professional activities.

With the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges, he served as a Director of the Endowment for Education, a member of the Finance Committee, the Budget Policy Committee, the By-Laws Committee, the Outreach Committee, and the Next Generation Planning Committee, and as a Liaison to the Commercial Law League and the Federal Bar Association.

He was a featured speaker or panelist at continuing legal education sessions for the American Bar Association, the American Bankruptcy Institute, the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges, the American College of Bankruptcy, the Commercial Law League of America, the Turnaround Managers Association, the Equipment Leasing and Finance Association, The Florida Bar, the Florida Institute of Certified Public Accountants, and local bar associations. He was a guest lecturer at the University of Florida and Stetson University Colleges of Law, and at Florida Coastal School of Law. Also, he was a contributing editor for the Norton Handbook for Bankruptcy Trustees, Debtors in Possession, and Committees.

In March 2005, Judge Glenn was inducted as a Fellow in the American College of Bankruptcy.

In May 2007, he was honored by the Hillsborough County Bar Association with the Robert W. Patton Outstanding Jurist Award.

He traveled to St. Petersburg, Russia, on an international Judges visitation, and spoke to visiting Judges from Russia. He was a speaker at international seminars in Budapest, Hungary and in Toronto, Canada.

He served as President and a Director of the Ferguson-White American Inn of Court in Tampa, Florida. In 2010, Judge Glenn was elected to the National Board of Trustees of the American Inns of Court Foundation. More recently, Judge Glenn served as President of the Chester Bedell American Inn of Court in Jacksonville, which was awarded Platinum status in the Achieving Excellence Program.

In 2014, he received the Distinguished Service Award from the Bankruptcy Inn Alliance of the America Inns of Court at the National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges.