

NEUTRAL PROFILE

Hon. Robert A. Cornetta

EXPERIENCE:

Judge Robert A. Cornetta served for more than twenty-three years on the Massachusetts Judiciary in both the District and Superior Courts. He has experience as a former town manager and as an Assistant Commissioner of Public Welfare for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Judge Cornetta practiced law for over ten years prior to being appointed to the Trial Court.

As a sitting trial justice, Judge Cornetta presided over large and significant civil trial and motions lists. He has written countless decisions and orders.

Judge Cornetta teaches as an adjunct law professor and has lectured and written extensively on civil procedure and court administration. He has participated as a panelist in a number of bar association and MCLE programs.

EDUCATION:

Judge Cornetta is an honors graduate of both Suffolk University and Suffolk University Law School in Boston. He was the recipient of the Trustees Scholarship while at Suffolk Community.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:

While a member of the Judiciary, Judge Cornetta chaired the Judicial Outreach Committee of the Superior Court and initiated school-based programs within the city of Lawrence to familiarize public school students with the workings of government and the courts. He was one of the originators of the Drug Courts in Massachusetts and also served on the District Court's case flow management committee.

Judge Cornetta has also given of his time as a trustee of the Massachusetts Bar Foundation and as a supporter of community-based dispute resolution in Massachusetts.