

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**



**JAMES R. MUIRHEAD  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE**

United States Magistrate Judge James R. Muirhead has announced his retirement from the bench, effective upon the selection and appointment of his successor. In a letter to Chief Judge Steven J. McAuliffe of the United States District Court, Judge Muirhead expressed his thanks to the Court, the bar, and the community for the opportunity to serve as Magistrate Judge.

Judge Muirhead was appointed as Magistrate Judge of the United States District Court for the District of New Hampshire on September 1, 1995. He is currently serving his second term of appointment. He is a graduate of Cornell University and the Cornell Law School. Prior to his appointment, he was a partner at McLane, Graf, Raulerson and Middleton, P.A. He is a longstanding Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers and the International Society of Barristers.

Chief Judge McAuliffe commented that: "Judge Muirhead was an outstanding litigator, well-respected for his substantive legal knowledge and tenacious advocacy. Judge Muirhead's wealth of litigation experience was apparent in his efficient handling of his docket and courtroom, and in his substantial reform of discovery practice in this district. I know I can speak for both the bench and bar when I say that Judge Muirhead's intellect and steadfast efforts to ensure justice for all will be sorely missed. We wish him all the best."