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## Justice Randy J. Holland Co-Authors New Book: *Middle Temple Lawyers and The American Revolution*

A new book co-authored by Delaware Supreme Court Justice Randy J. Holland was released this week as part of the events to commemorate the 400th anniversary of the settlement of Jamestown, Virginia. Published by Thomson-West and co-authored by retired English Judge Eric Stockdale, the book is titled: *Middle Temple Lawyers and The American Revolution*. The book illuminates the influence of lawyers who studied law at the Middle Temple Inn of Court in London. Not only did lawyers from the Middle Temple settle Jamestown in 1607 but more than one hundred colonial American lawyers studied there prior to the Revolutionary War. Five of them signed the Declaration of Independence and seven of them signed the United States Constitution. One of them, John Dickinson of Delaware, was known as the Penman of the American Revolution.

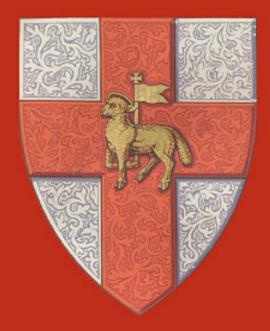
Unique to the book are two forewords. One is written by Chief Justice John G. Roberts, Jr. of the United States Supreme Court. The other is written by The Rt. Hon. The Lord Phillips of Worth Matravers, Lord Chief Justice of England and Wales. Chief Justice Roberts, Jr., wrote: "Readers will come away with a deeper appreciation of the character of the Nation's leading colonial lawyers, the role of English legal education in their lives, and the influence of the Middle Temple in shaping American institutions." Chief Justice Phillips wrote: "Members of the Inn [Middle Temple] will be delighted with this scholarly work, which brings the threads of our history together, but it will surely appeal also to any with an interest in American history for the new light that it throws on familiar events."

The book was released at a Rule of Law Conference held at the Richmond Law School. Justice Holland participated in an international panel discussion about the rule of law that included Chief Justice Phillips, Justice Stephen Breyer of the United States Supreme Court and English Law Lord, Jonathan Mance. The week ended with Chief Justice Roberts and Chief Justice Phillips unveiling a monument at Jamestown on Saturday to commemorate the role of the Middle Temple lawyer in founding Jamestown and bringing the rule of law to America. Joining the two Chief Justices in the unveiling was retired Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor, who is honorary chair of Jamestown's 400th Commemoration.

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