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Justice Randy J. Holland appointed by ABA President to Presidential Commission on Fair and Impartial State Courts

Justice Randy J. Holland of the Delaware Supreme Court has been appointed by American Bar Association President, H. Thomas Wells, Jr. to the fifteen-member Presidential Commission on Fair and Impartial State Courts. The goal of the Commission is to convene a National Summit on Fair and Impartial State Courts in the spring of 2009. Justice Sandra Day O'Connor is the Honorary Chair.

The Summit will bring together representatives of all three branches of government, as well as representatives of nongovernmental organizations, to address various threats to fair, impartial, and independent courts. The Summit will continue the ABA's longstanding support on judicial independence issues. It will build on recent conferences on the topic sponsored by Justice Sandra Day O'Connor and Justice Stephen Breyer, and will focus on state courts and the organized bar's role in promoting fair, impartial, and independent courts.

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