





Judge Frank M. Eldridge is a native of Atlanta and was born March 26, 1939, to Thomas Mooreman Eldridge and Leila Elizabeth Mason Eldridge. He is married to Glad Cuerton Eldridge formerly of Newnan, Coweta County; they have two children, Elizabeth Kathleen McKiver of Greensboro, North Carolina and Frank Mason Eldridge, Jr., of Atlanta.

Judge Eldridge attended the primary schools of Atlanta and graduated from the Westminster Schools in 1958. He was awarded a B.A. in 1962 and a J.D. in 1965 from Vanderbilt University and

a LL.M. (in Taxation) in 1966 from New York University.

Judge Eldridge has authored seven law treatises, edited three others, written chapters in two law books, had nine journal articles published and presented over thirty papers for the Institute of Continuing Legal Education, Institute of Continuing Judicial Education and other professional groups as well as many more special lectures which include lectures over a number of years at Georgia Tech in the School of Design and of Mechanical Engineering on product liability, design and warning. For six years, Judge Eldridge was on the faculty of the National Judicial College lecturing on professional liability, product liability, toxic torts, and selected tort issues. For several years he served on the faculty of the National Institute of Trial Advocacy, the Atlanta College of Trial Advocacy and the Georgia College of Trial Advocacy, as well as, the Emory University Law School's NITA program. From 1981 until 1998, he was an adjunct professor of law at the Emory University Law School, teaching damages, pre-trial litigation, advanced litigation and other courses.

Judge Eldridge served as a member, secretary and chair of Georgia's Institute of Continuing Judicial Education. For a number of years he has served on the Advisory Committee of the Service Advisory Council of the Cooperative Extension Division of the University of Georgia.

In 1965, Judge Eldridge was admitted to the Georgia Bar and practiced as a trial lawyer until April 15, 1979, when he was appointed to the Superior Court of Fulton County by Governor George D. Busbee, where he served and was re-elected without opposition until his appointment on July 16, 1996, to the Court of Appeals of Georgia by Governor Zell Miller. He served as Chief Judge of the Superior Court of Fulton County as well as District Administrative Judge and served on the Judicial Council and the Executive Committee of the Council of Superior Court Judges.

Judge Eldridge is an Elder and former Deacon at the North Avenue Presbyterian Church and has served in one of these offices since 1970. He has been a member since 1950 and members of his family were charter members in 1898. Since 1970, he has taught Sunday School for various ages; since 1974, he has taught adults in the "International Class," which is comprised of a racially, ethnically and culturally diverse group of international students and immigrants as well as American citizens by birth and naturalization.