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Sharon Prost
Chief Judge

Daniel E. O'Toole
Circuit Executive
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CIRCUIT JUDGE RADER TO RETIRE

Judge Randall R. Rader today announced that he will retire from the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit effective on June 30, 2014.

CIRCUIT JUDGE SHARON PROST ASSUMED THE POSITION OF CHIEF JUDGE OF THE FEDERAL CIRCUIT ON MAY 31, 2014

On Saturday, May 31, 2014, Circuit Judge Sharon Prost succeeded Chief Judge Randall R. Rader as the seventh Chief Judge of the Federal Circuit Court of Appeals. Chief Judge Prost was appointed to the Federal Circuit in 2001 by President George W. Bush.

Chief Judge Prost has 40 years of government service working in all three branches of the federal government. In the Executive Branch, she served as an attorney at the Federal Labor Relations Authority and the Internal Revenue Service, and as both Associate Solicitor and Acting Solicitor at the National Labor Relations Board.

In the Legislative Branch, Judge Prost was Chief Labor Counsel for the Minority of the Senate Committee on Labor and Human Relations, and Minority Chief Counsel, Deputy Chief Counsel and Chief Counsel of the Senate Judiciary Committee. Judge Prost received a B.S. from Cornell University in 1973, an M.B.A. from The George Washington University in 1975, a J.D. from the Washington College of Law, American University in 1979, and an LL.M. from The George Washington University School of Law in 1984.

AN OPEN LETTER FROM CHIEF JUDGE RANDALL R. RADER

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CHIEF JUDGE RANDALL R. RADER TO STEP DOWN AS CHIEF JUDGE ON MAY 30, 2014

Chief Judge Randall R. Rader today announced his intention to step down as chief judge on May 30, 2014. Judge Rader will continue in active service on the court. He will also undertake additional teaching, lecturing and travel. Consistent with statutory succession provisions, Judge Sharon Prost will succeed Judge Rader as the chief judge.

LAWYERS' LOUNGE OPEN FOR COURT WEEK

The court has established a Lawyers' Lounge on the first floor of the Tayloe House that will be open to counsel each morning during court week. See this [flyer](#) for more information.

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