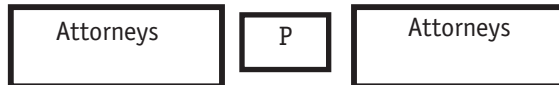


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General voting blocks	Names	
Conservative	Roberts?, Scalia, Thomas, Alito	
Centrist	Roberts?, Kennedy, ¹ Souter, ²	
Liberal	Stevens, Ginsburg, Breyer	
Chief Justice Conservative	John G. Roberts (51)* Born 1955 Replaces Rehnquist (who died in Sept. 2005) as Chief Justice. Conservatives are happy; liberals are worried. Said he would uphold precedent (previous USSC decisions), but how he'll decide cases is an open question. (George W. Bush – 2005, Chief Justice)	
Moderate/Liberal	John Paul Stevens (86) Born 1920 On the Court the longest. Votes liberal on almost every issue now, but when appointed was more moderate in the liberal Warren Court (Ford – 1975)	
Ultra Conservative	Antonin Scalia (70) Born 1936 To the liberals he is the "Prince of Darkness," to the right he's it. (Reagan – 1986)	
Conservative to Centrist	Anthony Kennedy (70) Born 1936 Grew up in the Sacramento. Definitely a conservative on most issues, but he sometimes voted more centrist along with Souter and O'Connor. It will be interesting to see where he falls in this new, more conservative line-up. (Reagan – 1987)	
Centrist to Liberal	David Souter (67) Born 1939 Although not much was known about his political views when he was appointed, was thought by Bush, Sr. to be a loyal conservative. Turned out to be much more centrist. Now often votes with the liberals. Friend of Bush's former (conservative) Chief of Staff. (Bush, Sr. – 1990)	
Ultra Conservative	Clarence Thomas (58) Born 1948 Youngest member and only African-American. Took the place of another African-American justice, Thurgood Marshall. Thomas is as conservative as Marshall was liberal (very). Anita Hill's allegations of sexual misconduct almost cost him the nomination. (Bush, Sr. – 1991)	
Liberal/Moderate	Ruth Bader Ginsburg (73) Born 1933 Jewish and mostly liberal. Is well known for her legal opinions on sex discrimination issues. Smart and very small. (Clinton – 1994)	
Liberal/Moderate	Stephen Breyer (68) Born 1938 Grew up in San Francisco in a Jewish family, but married a British aristocrat. Is known as hard working, fair, generally liberal, but as a pragmatist on business-regulation issues. (Clinton – 1994)	
Conservative	Samuel A. Alito, Jr. (56) Born 1950 Both his personal opinions (as expressed in his writings) and his legal opinions in the 15 years he was on the Third Circuit indicate that he is a solid conservative. Says he respects precedent but gave vague answers during his confirmation hearing. (George W. Bush – 2006)	
*Ages in 2006	1 Usually votes with conservatives giving them 4 consistent votes 2 Often votes with liberals giving them 4 fairly consistent votes	

USSC Justice Seating Chart and Appellate Courtroom Setup*

The United State Supreme Court Justices*

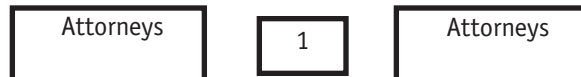


* The nine Justices are seated by seniority. The Chief Justice is in the middle, the senior Associate Justice to his right, the second in seniority to his left, and so on, alternating right and left by seniority. This is a common practice in many U.S. courts.

- 1 JR = Roberts (Chief Justice—CJ)•
- 2 JPS = Stevens
- 3 AS = Scalia
- 4 AK = Kennedy
- 5 DS = Souter
- 6 CT = Thomas
- 7 RBG = Ginsburg
- 8 SB = Breyer
- 9 SA = Alito

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CA and other state supreme courts (7 Judges)



CA, Federal and other state courts of appeal (Three-Judge Courts)

