

President Trump Appointed Alabama Supreme Court Justice Bill Lewis To The Middle District Of Alabama

SUMMARY:

In August 2025, President Trump [announced the nomination](#) of Bill Lewis, [an associate justice](#) on the Alabama Supreme Court, to serve on the U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Alabama. Before serving on the Alabama Supreme Court, he was a judge on the Alabama Court of Civil Appeals and [a prosecutor](#) and later judge for Alabama's [Nineteenth Judicial Circuit](#), where he primarily focused on criminal cases. Judge Lewis's nomination to the federal judiciary is his third nomination to a higher court in the last 16 months.

Lewis has [served](#) as Chairman of the Elmore County Republican Executive Committee and the Alabama Republican Executive Committee. In January 2025, Lewis delivered a presentation to a state chapter of the Federalist Society on artificial intelligence.

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August 2025: Trump Nominated Alabama Supreme Court Justice Bill Lewis To The Middle District Of Alabama. "Alabama Supreme Court Justice and Wetumpka resident Bill Lewis has been nominated by President Donald Trump to serve on the federal bench. Trump announced the nomination on social media. Lewis has been nominated to serve as a federal district court judge for the Middle District of Alabama. The court meets in the federal building in downtown Montgomery." [Montgomery Advertiser, [8/12/25](#)]

Justice Lewis Was Recommended By Alabama Senators Tommy Tuberville And Katie Britt For The Middle District Of Alabama Post. "Today, President Trump announced his intent to nominate a slate of judicial nominees who were recommended by Alabama Senators Tommy Tuberville and Katie Britt. All of these nominees are highly qualified and well respected, and both Senators Tuberville and Britt believe they will uphold the law and make Alabama proud. [...] Bill Lewis is a Justice on the Alabama Supreme Court. Prior to being appointed to this role, he served as a Judge on the Alabama Court of Civil Appeals and was the Presiding Circuit Judge on the 19th Judicial Circuit. Before his judicial service began, he was in private practice in Wetumpka, Alabama. Lewis is a life-long Alabama resident, having grown up in Wetumpka." [U.S. Senate, Sen. Tuberville Press Release, [8/12/25](#)]

Lewis Was Appointed To The Alabama Supreme Court In May Of 2025, Just One Year After Being Appointed To The Alabama Court Of Civil Appeals

May 20, 2025: Governor Kay Ivey Appointed Lewis To Serve On The Alabama Supreme Court. "Governor Kay Ivey on Tuesday appointed Judge Bill Lewis to serve on the Supreme Court of Alabama. This comes following yesterday's announcement from Justice Jay Mitchell that he was resigning his position on the state's top court." [Governor Kay Ivey Press Release, [5/20/25](#)]

- **Lewis Became The First Black Republican To Serve On The Supreme Court.** “Alabama Gov. Kay Ivey on Tuesday appointed state appellate Judge Bill Lewis to the Alabama Supreme Court. He will be the first Black Republican to serve on the court. Lewis replaces Justice Jay Mitchell, who resigned Monday. Lewis most recently served on the Alabama Court of Civil Appeals. Ivey appointed him to the position last year. He was previously the presiding circuit judge in the 19th Judicial Circuit in Elmore County. [...] Lewis is the fourth Black justice to serve on the state’s highest court and the first Black Republican.” [WBHM, [5/21/25](#)]

February 2024: Governor Ivey Appointed Lewis To The Alabama Court Of Civil Appeals. “Governor Kay Ivey on Wednesday announced the appointment of Judge Bill Lewis to the Alabama Court of Civil Appeals. The governor informed Judge Lewis of her selection today.” [Governor Kay Ivey, Press Release, [2/28/24](#)]

Lewis Previously Served As Presiding Judge Of The 19th Judicial Circuit. “Prior to taking the appellate bench, Justice Lewis was Presiding Judge of the 19th Judicial Circuit, where he served as a Circuit Judge since 2016. Prior to taking the bench, Judge Lewis was the senior partner of the Lewis Law Firm, a firm he started in 2006.” [Justice Bill Lewis, accessed [8/19/25](#)]

Lewis Previously Founded The Law Offices Of Bill Lewis And Worked As An Assistant District Attorney For The 19th Judicial Circuit, Trying Thousands Of Cases. “Before taking the bench, he was the senior partner of the Law Offices of Bill Lewis, a firm he founded, and he previously served as an Assistant District Attorney for the 19th Judicial Circuit. With experience as a prosecutor; defense attorney; and civil, family, and administrative-law practitioner in both state and federal courts across three states, Justice Lewis is among the few judges in Alabama with such a broad legal background. He has tried thousands of cases—including bench and jury trials and capital litigation.” [Alabama Judicial System, accessed [8/12/25](#)]

Lewis Has Worked In Republican Politics

Lewis Has Served As Chairman Of The Elmore County Republican Executive Committee And The Alabama Republican Executive Committee. “Lewis has served as Chairman of the Elmore County Republican Executive Committee and the Alabama Republican Executive Committee, according to his biography.” [Dallas Express, [8/16/25](#)]

January 2025: Judge Lewis Attended A Federalist Society Event Where He Gave A Presentation Entitled “Bridging The Divide” About The Use Of AI In The Courts System And “Its Potential In Constitutional Law And Originalism”

Judge Lewis Gave A Presentation At A Federalist Society Event In Huntsville, Alabama, Titled “Bridging The Divide: From Trial Court To The Appellate Bench And An Introduction To AI And Its Potential In Constitutional Law And Originalism.”



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Great day with friends at the Huntsville @FedSoc luncheon & CLE.
Thanks to Judge Bill Lewis for the presentation on the appellate courts
and Artificial Intelligence & It's Potential in Constitutional Law &
Originalism. And thanks to Judge @MattFridy as my travel companion.



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