



## October Begins Terms of New Chairs

Five new Judicial Conference committee chairs began their terms on October 1, 2005. Two current committee chairs have been reappointed.

Judge John R. Tunheim (D. Minn.) succeeds Chief Judge John W. Lungstrum (D. Kan.) as chair of the Committee on Court Administration and Case Management. Judge Paul G. Cassell (D. Utah) succeeds Judge Sim Lake (S. D. Tex.) as chair of the Committee on Criminal Law.

*Judge John R. Tunheim (D. Minn.)*

Judge Paul G. Cassell (D. Utah)

Judge John Gleeson (E. D. NY) succeeds Judge Patti B. Saris (D. Mass.) as chair of the Committee on Defender Services. **Judge Ortrie D. Smith (W. D. Mo.) succeeds Judge Mary M. Lisi (D. RI) as chair of the Committee on Financial Disclosure.** Chief Judge Thomas I. Vanaskie (M.D. Pa.) succeeds Judge James Robertson (D. D.C.) as chair of the Committee on Information Technology.

Judge John Gleeson (E. D. NY)

Judge Ortrie D. Smith (W. D. Mo.)

The terms of two chairs have been extended. Judge Robert G. Kugler (D. NJ) will serve an additional year as chair of the Committee on the Administrative Office, and Judge Jerry E. Smith (5th Cir.) will serve for an additional two years as chair of the Advisory Committee on the Rules of Evidence.

Chief Judge Thomas Vanaskie (M. D. Pa.)

All Judicial Conference committee appointments are made by the Chief Justice of the United States. With the exception of the Executive, Judicial Branch and Budget Committees, committee chairs usually serve for a term of three years. Six years of cumulative committee service, including past committee assignments, usually is considered the maximum a member may serve.

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