Statewide General Election
Canvassing Board

Board Members who will serve on Canvassing Board that will meet on November 18th at 1:00 p.m. and will serve on any Recount Canvassing Board that may be ordered on November 18th

Board Member	Title	Telephone Contact
The Honorable Mark Ritchie, Chair	Secretary of State	(651) 201-1328
The Honorable Eric J. Magnuson	Chief Justice, Minnesota Supreme Court	(651) 296-3380
The Honorable G. Barry Anderson	Associate Justice, Minnesota Supreme Court	(651) 297-1007
The Honorable Kathleen R. Gearin	Chief Judge, Second Judicial District	(651) 266-8266
The Honorable Edward J. Cleary	Assistant Chief Judge, Second Judicial District	(651) 266-8266

Chief Justice Eric J. Magnuson

Supreme Court

Eric J. Magnuson became Minnesota's 21st Chief Justice on June 2, 2008. Prior to his appointment, Magnuson was an attorney and shareholder in the business litigation department at the Briggs and Morgan Law Firm in Minneapolis, practicing almost exclusively in state and federal appellate courts, and working in consultation with trial attorneys on matters in anticipation of appeal. Previously, he was an attorney and partner with the Rider Bennett law firm in Minneapolis from 1977 to 2007, where he chaired the appellate group practice and was managing partner from 1999 to 2000.

He was a law clerk to former Minnesota Supreme Court Chief Justice Robert Sheran from 1976 to 1977, and, prior to that, a law clerk to former Minnesota Supreme Court Chief Justice Douglas K. Amdahl, who was a Hennepin County district court judge at the time.

Before joining the bench, he served as chair of the Commission on Judicial Selection from 2003 to 2008, having been appointed by Governor Tim Pawlenty.

Chief Justice Magnuson received a B.A. in history from the University of Minnesota. He graduated *cum laude* from William Mitchell College of Law.

Associate Justice G. Barry Anderson

Supreme Court

Educational and Professional Background:

G. Barry Anderson is a 1976 graduate of Gustavus Adolphus College in St. Peter, MN and a 1979 graduate of the University of Minnesota Law School. He was a member of the Minnesota Court of Appeals from August 1998 until his appointment to the Supreme Court. He was sworn in and joined the court on October 13, 2004.

He previously was a partner in the Minneapolis and Hutchinson law firm of Arnold, Anderson & Dove, PLLP and had served the City of Hutchinson as City Attorney from 1987 to 1998. He is also certified by the Minnesota State Bar Association as a civil trial specialist.

Anderson, born in Mankato, Minnesota, previously practiced in Fairmont, Minnesota.

Anderson's background includes service as chairman of the Board of Directors of Hutchinson Community Video Network, a local public access television effort, two terms as President of Hutchinson Rotary Club and a wide variety of other community activities.

Chief Judge Kathleen R. Gearin

Ramsey County

Appointed/Elected:

Elected in 1986, 1992, 1998, and 2004. Current term expires January of 2011.

Education:

J.D., William Mitchell College of Law, (Student Director of Criminal Defense Clinical Program), 1975

B.A., with Honors, College of St. Catherine, History, 1967

Employment:

District Court Judge- Second Judicial District, 1987-present

Prosecuting Attorney- Ramsey County Attorney's Office, 1975-1985

Secondary School Teacher, Social Studies, 1967-1971

Assistant Chief Judge Edward J. Cleary

Ramsey County

Appointed/Elected:

Appointed Judge of the Second Judicial District in July, 2002. Elected in November of 2004. Current term expires in January 2011.

Education:

J.D., University of Minnesotá Law School, 1977

B.A., *magna cum laude,* University of Minnesota (Minneapolis), 1974

Employment:

Director- Minnesota Office of Lawyers Professional Responsibility and Client Security Board, 1997-2002

Private Practice Attorney- Cleary Law Offices, 1980-1997

Assistant Public Defender- Ramsey County Public Defender's Office, 1980-1995

Associate- D.D. Wozniak, 1978-1980