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Day Pitney's Richard Robinson Wins "Most Influential Black Attorney for the Northeast" Award

Day Pitney is pleased to announce that Chief Justice of the Connecticut Supreme Court Richard "Ric" Robinson (ret.) was recently honored by the Northeast Black Law Students Association (NEBLSA) as one of their "Most Influential Black Attorneys in the Northeast Awards" honorees. The recognition was announced on February 7 at the 57th NEBLSA Regional Convention in Boston, MA.

"Throughout my career, I have been committed to fostering diversity, equity, and inclusion within the legal profession, and it is inspiring to see the next generation of legal leaders embracing these values. This recognition is a testament to the importance of continuing to advance equity and excellence in our field, and I am grateful to the NEBLSA for their dedication to shaping the future of legal excellence," commented Justice Robinson.

According to the NEBLSA, this recognition highlights the outstanding contributions to the legal field, advocacy, and leadership within the Northeast community. The theme of this year's convention was "The Golden Standard: Shaping the Future of Legal Excellence." The program focused on the commitment and dedication of influential leaders who continue to elevate the standard of excellence within the legal profession. For more information on the organization, or the methodology, click here.

Justice Robinson is a partner in the firm's Litigation department and a member of the Appellate practice group. He retired from the bench in September 2024 and is based in Day Pitney's Hartford office. Justice Robinson made history in 2018 as the first Black Chief Justice of Connecticut's highest court, following five years as an Associate Justice. Throughout his 24 years of service in the Connecticut Judiciary, Justice Robinson earned widespread respect for his leadership, integrity, and dedication to advancing diversity, equity, and inclusion (DE&I) within the judicial system. Known for his balanced approach—"humble yet assertive, confident without ego, intellectually curious, and respected by all"—he leaves a legacy of innovation in fostering an equitable and inclusive court system. As co-chair of the Blueprint for Racial Justice Fairness & Awareness Working Group, Justice Robinson has been a leading voice on DE&I issues nationwide, frequently delivering training and speaking on cultural competency.

In addition to his appellate practice, Justice Robinson focuses on DE&I initiatives working with the firm's DE&I team.

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