

Supreme Court Justices – Control Cards



John Roberts

Born January 27, 1955
Appointed by George W. Bush
Started on September 29, 2005
Conservative
17th and current Chief Justice. As a lawyer, argued 39 cases before Supreme Court.



Clarence Thomas

Born June 23, 1948
Appointed by George H. W. Bush
Started on October 23, 1991
Strong Conservative
Second African American to serve on the Court after Thurgood Marshall.
Considered most conservative member.



Stephen Breyer

Born August 15, 1938
Appointed by Bill Clinton
Started on August 3, 1994
Liberal
Former Harvard law professor and assistant special prosecutor on Watergate Special Prosecution Force.



Samuel Alito

Born April 1, 1950
Appointed by George W. Bush
Started on January 31, 2006
Strong Conservative
Educated at Princeton and Yale. As a lawyer, argued 12 cases before the Supreme Court. Libertarian streak.

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Sonia Sotomayor

Born June 25, 1954
Appointed by Barack Obama
Started on August 8, 2009
Liberal
First Latina Justice and third female.
Born in the Bronx. Advocate for race,
ethnic, and gender equality.



Elena Kagan

Born April 28, 1960
Appointed by Barack Obama
Started on August 7, 2010
Liberal
First female dean of Harvard and U.S.
Solicitor General. First Justice without
prior experience as a judge.



Neil Gorsuch

Born August 29, 1967
Appointed by Donald Trump
Started on April 8, 2017
Conservative
Replaced Antonin Scalia after year
long vacancy. Holds degrees from
Columbia, Harvard, and Oxford.



Brett Kavanaugh

Born February 12, 1965
Appointed by Donald Trump
Started on October 8, 2018
Conservative
Was conserved by Senate with a vote of
50-48 after an FBI investigation into
allegations of misconduct.

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Amy Coney Barrett

Born January 28, 1972

Appointed by Donald Trump

Started on October 27, 2020

Conservative

Confirmed in election year. Professor of law at Notre Dame. Supports originalist interpretation of Constitution.

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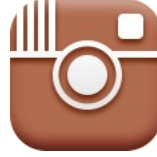
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