

## An Evening With The Honorable Reggie B. Walton

Judge Walton will be reflecting on his life and career from small town America to our nation's capital – his unexpected journey from a humble beginning in the rust-belt of Western Pennsylvania to positions in the country's federal judiciary that have required the resolution of some of the most challenging and important issues confronting America. The discussion will encompass his youth and the obstacles he had to overcome to become a lawyer, his path to becoming a federal judge and some of the most significant cases over which he has presided. Judge Walton will also talk about his experiences as a member and presiding judge of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court, his stewardship of the National Prison Rape Elimination Commission and the federal judiciary's effort to reduce the disparate sentencing penalties applicable to powder and crack cocaine.

**Speaker**: Judge Reggie B. Walton assumed his position as a United States District Judge for the District of Columbia on October 29, 2001, after being nominated to the position by President George W. Bush and confirmed by the United States Senate. Judge Walton served as an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia from 1981 to 1989 and from 1991 to 2001. He also served as Associate Director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy. In 2004, President Bush appointed him to Chair the National Prison Rape Elimination Commission, investigating ways to curb prison rape. In May 2007, Chief Justice John G. Roberts, Jr. appointed him to a seat on the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court.

**Place**: Mitchell Courthouse – 100 North Calvert Street – Main Reading Room of the Bar Library (Room 618).

**Time**: 5:00 p.m., **Thursday**, **October 1**, **2015**, with a wine & cheese reception immediately following in the Main Reading Room of the Bar Library.

**Invitees**: Members of the Library Company of the Baltimore Bar and their guests, judges, employees of Baltimore City and its courts, courthouse employees, government lawyers, public interest lawyers, law librarians, law and college faculty and students. Others may attend on payment of \$20 or upon application for Bar Library membership.

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