

U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE

After six years of dedicated service on the bankruptcy court, Judge Melloy was nominated by President George H.W. Bush to serve as a U.S. District Judge for the Northern District of Iowa. Judge Melloy received his commission on August 17, 1992, succeeding Judge David R. Hansen and joining Senior Judge Edward J. McManus, Senior Judge William C. Hanson, and Judge Donald E. O'Brien. Judge Melloy became chief judge shortly thereafter, when Judge O'Brien took senior status on December 30, 1992, and served in that capacity until 1999. He continued on the Court until 2002, when he was elevated to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit.



Judge Melloy's informal swearing in as U.S. District Judge for the Northern District of Iowa, August 18, 1992.



Left: Judge Melloy is sworn in by Circuit Judge David R. Hansen.

Right, top: Judge Melloy signs his oath of office as Judge Hansen, wife Jane Anne, and father William Melloy look on.

Right, bottom: Judges from the Northern District of Iowa at Judge Melloy's swearing in. L-R: Bankruptcy Judge William L. Edmonds, District Judge Donald E. O'Brien, District Judge Michael J. Melloy, Circuit Judge David R. Hansen (formerly N.D. Iowa District Judge).