

**Delaware Judges Carpenter and Scott assume leadership roles in the American Bar Association National Conference of State Trial Judges and Chief Justice Steele appointed to the American Bar Association's President Advisory Commission on Diversity in the Profession.**

At the annual meeting of the American Bar Association, held between July 30th and August 2, 2009 in Chicago, Illinois, Judge William Carpenter of the Superior Court was elected secretary of the National Conference of State Trial Judges. This Conference, which is part of the ABA Judicial Division, is the oldest, largest and most prestigious organization in the world representing the interests of state trial judges, and this past year marked the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the organization. In addition, Judge Carpenter will also serve as Chairman of the Judicial Division Membership Committee serving nearly 4000 judicial members.

Judge Calvin Scott of the Superior Court, also at the ABA meeting, was elected to a two year term on the National Conference of State Trial Judges Executive Committee. He will also serve as Chair of the Conference's By-Laws Committee.

Additionally, American Bar Association President Carolyn Lamm appointed three Delawareans to Presidential Advisory Committees. All three Delawareans were nominated by the American Bar Association's Business Law Section. Chief Justice Myron T. Steele of the Delaware Supreme Court was named to the American Bar Association's President's Advisory Commission on Diversity in the Profession; Judge Thomas L. Ambro of the Third Circuit Court of Appeals was appointed to the ABA's Committee on the Federal Judiciary and E. Norman Veasey, Esquire of Weil, Gotshal and Manges to the ABA Committee on Professionalism. These appointments bring a distinct honor to Delaware.