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Delaware Chief Justice selected to lead two national court organizations

Williamsburg, Va. (July 26, 2012) — Delaware Chief Justice Myron T. Steele has been named president of the Conference of Chief Justices (CCJ) and Chair of the National Center for State Courts (NCSC) Board of Directors for 2012 – 2013. Both positions are one-year terms.

“The National Center and CCJ rely on the type of experience and first-hand knowledge of the nation’s courts that Chief Justice Steele brings to the organizations,” said Mary C. McQueen, NCSC President. “His commitment to the advancement of the justice system will help guide the work of the country’s leading court organizations.”

Chief Justice Steele’s expertise is in corporate governance. He has written and co-authored articles for the Delaware Journal of Corporate Law and the Virginia Law and Business Review. He also teaches a course, “Advising the Board of Directors in a Mergers and Acquisitions World,” at the University of Pennsylvania Law School, Pepperdine Law School and the University of Virginia Law School, his alma mater. Before becoming Chief Justice, he served as vice chancellor of the Delaware Court of Chancery and presided over major corporate litigation.

Chief Justice Steele was named as one of the 100 most influential people in corporate governance in the United States by Directorship Magazine.

Founded in 1949 and comprised of the top judicial officers of each state, the District of Columbia, and U.S. territories, the Conference of Chief Justices promotes the interests and effectiveness of state judicial systems by developing policies and educational programs designed to improve court operations. CCJ also acts as the primary representative of the state courts before Congress and federal executive agencies.

The National Center for State Courts, headquartered in Williamsburg, Va., is a nonprofit court reform organization dedicated to improving the administration of justice by providing leadership and service to the state courts. Founded in 1971 by the Conference of Chief Justices and Chief Justice of the United States Warren E. Burger, NCSC provides education, training, technology, management, and research services to the nation’s state courts.