

James A. Wynn, Jr. (“Jim”)
Judge, United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit

- 1995 University of Virginia School of Law, Master of Laws, Judicial Process
- 1979 Marquette University Law School, Juris Doctorate (2002 Hallows Judicial Fellow; 2004 All-University Alumni Merit Award; 2012 Fishback Judicial Lecturer)
- 1975 UNC-Chapel Hill, Bachelor of Arts, Journalism (2008 Harvey Beech Merit Award)

Jim Wynn, a judge on the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit, served for nearly twenty years as an appellate judge on the Supreme Court of North Carolina and the North Carolina Court of Appeals.

His legal career includes thirty years of active and reserve service in the Judge Advocate General’s Corps of the Navy - Captain (O-6), Certified Military Judge, and Commanding Officer of the Navy Reserve Trial Judiciary. His civilian legal career began as a litigator in the North Carolina law firm of Fitch, Butterfield & Wynn where he remained until his state-wide election as a state appellate judge in 1990.

In 2009, President Barack Obama nominated him to serve as a federal circuit judge. The United States Senate confirmed him by a unanimous voice vote on August 10, 2010.

In the American Bar Association, Judge Wynn serves on the American Bar Endowment Board, the World Justice Commission, and the ABA Standing Committee on Federal Judicial Improvements. He previously chaired the Judicial Division, the Appellate Judges Conference, the Working Group on Judicial Campaign Speech, and the ABA 2009 National Diversity Summit. He served on the drafting committee for the 2007 Revised ABA Model Code of Judicial Conduct. He has also served in the ABA House of Delegates and on the ABA Standing Committee on Judicial Independence.

Judge Wynn has been a Commissioner on the National Conference on Uniform State Laws for nearly twenty years. He has served as Vice President and on the Executive Committee, Scope and Program Committee, and several uniform law drafting committees.