

**POLITICAL SPEECH OR INCITEMENT TO RIOT....
WHERE IS THE LINE LOCATED?**

The Presenters



Judge Richard C. Wesley

Richard C. Wesley is a Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit. At the time of his appointment in 2003, he was a Judge of the New York Court of Appeals.

Judge Wesley received his B.A. degree summa cum laude from the State University of New York at Albany in 1971, and his J.D. degree from Cornell Law School in 1974. Judge Wesley engaged in the private practice of law from the time of his admission to the New York Bar in 1975 until 1986. During three years of that period, 1979 until 1982, he also served as assistant counsel and chief legislative aide to New York Assembly Minority Leader James L. Emery. In 1982, Judge Wesley was himself elected to the Assembly - and was re-elected in 1984 - representing Livingston, Allegany and Ontario Counties.

In 1986, Judge Wesley was elected to a 14-year term as a Justice of the New York Supreme Court from the Seventh Judicial District. He served as Supervising Judge of that district's criminal courts from 1991 to 1994. In 1994 he was appointed by Governor Mario Cuomo to the Supreme Court Appellate Division, Fourth Department. In 1997, he was appointed a Judge of the New York Court of Appeals by Governor George Pataki, a position he held until joining the Federal judiciary.



Attorney Michael R. Wolford,

Mr. Wolford has successfully represented clients throughout New York State in civil and criminal matters in both state and federal courts. He served as Assistant United States Attorney for three years in the 1970s before spending 21 years as an associate and partner at Nixon, Hargrave, Devans & Doyle. He is currently with the law firm of Bond, Schoeneck & King Bond.

Mr. Wolford was President of the Monroe County Bar Association for the 2004-2005 term. He is a fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers and past chair of the College's Upstate New York Committee, past president of the Rochester chapter of the American Board of Trial Advocates, and past chairman of the Monroe County Board of Ethics. He is listed in The Best Lawyers in America for "Bet-The-Company Litigation," as well as Personal Injury Litigation, Commercial Litigation, Labor and Employment Litigation, Environmental Litigation and Municipal Litigation.

Mr. Wolford has served as an arbitrator and mediator of disputes submitted to him by judges and other attorneys and has lectured on trial practice to a number of communities, business and professional groups.