

Statement from Chief Justice Chase T. Rogers

It is difficult to find the right words to describe the incredible legacy of Justice David Borden. First of all, he was a brilliant scholar whose body of work will have a lasting impact upon the law in Connecticut. Justice Borden believed deeply in the rule of law, open and transparent courts, and access to justice for all. To that end, he left indelible prints wherever he served during his remarkable judicial career. No legal issue was too challenging for him, and he never lost sight of the importance of a case to an individual party. Moreover, Justice Borden was an extraordinary mentor to his law clerks over the years; they not only thrived under his leadership but also viewed him as a family member. Judges too viewed Justice Borden as a mentor, and many sought his wise counsel over the years, including myself.

He also had a quick wit, endless energy and an insatiable curiosity, particularly when it came to travel and experiencing different cultures. He loved life and at his core, Justice Borden loved his family most of all: his wife, Judy, his children, grandchildren, siblings and extended family. In other words, Justice Borden always had his priorities straight, and his perspective on what was important contributed greatly to making him the judge and justice he became.