

PROFILING JUDGE * * * * * * NEIL GORSUCH

- ► Currently serves as a circuit court judge for the 10th Circuit United States Court of Appeals. Gorsuch was approved to that position 95-0 by the U.S. Senate in 2006.
- ▶ Born August 29, 1967. At 49, Judge Gorsuch would be the youngest member of the U.S. Supreme Court.
- ► Gorsuch and his wife Louise have two daughters and live in Boulder, Colorado.
- ▶ B.A. from Columbia University. J.D. from Harvard Law School. Ph.D in Law from University College at Oxford University.
- ▶ Ruled in favor of Hobby Lobby and the Little Sisters of the Poor, two cases involving the Obamacare HHS Mandate. Dissented against attempts by other judges to block Utah from defunding Planned Parenthood.
- ► Clerked for Supreme Court Justices Anthony Kennedy and Byron White. The late Byron White was one of two justices who dissented against Roe v. Wade.
- ▶ Author of the book, "The Future of Assisted Suicide and Euthanasia," where he argued against legalizing euthanasia: "all human beings are intrinsically valuable and the intentional taking of human life by private persons is always wrong." Co-author of the book, "The Law of Judicial Precedent."
- ► Has taught antitrust law and legal ethics since 2008 as a visiting professor at the University of Colorado.
- ▶ Widely compared in style and philosophy to the late Justice Antonin Scalia. Gorsuch has praised Scalia and the rule of law: "Perhaps the great project of Justice Scalia's career was to remind us of the differences between judges and legislators. To remind us that legislators may appeal to their own moral convictions and to claims about social utility to reshape the law as they think it should be in the future. But that judges should do none of these things in a democratic society."

