

Hon. Claire Kelly '93
Judge of the United States Court of International Trade

[Hon. Claire Kelly](#) '93 was appointed a Judge of the United States Court of International Trade in May 2013. Before joining the bench, Judge Kelly was a member of the Brooklyn Law School faculty for more than 15 years. She focused her scholarship on administrative law and international trade law, teaching courses in international trade law, international business law, and administrative law.

At the Law School, she served as co-director of the Dennis J. Block Center for the Study of International Business Law and as the faculty advisor for the Brooklyn Journal of International Law. She was also instrumental in creating fellowships for the Law School's Trade Secrets Institute, which she co-founded. Prior to entering academia, Judge Kelly was an associate at Coudert Brothers LLP where she advised companies on governmental compliance and litigated a broad variety of international trade matters.

Judge Kelly has written numerous law review articles that have appeared in top journals such as the Virginia Journal of International Law, Michigan Journal of International Law, Minnesota Law Review, New York University Journal of International Law & Politics and the Arizona Law Review. She has presented her work at forums worldwide, including the World Trade Organization, the United Nations, and the American Society of International Law.

Judge Kelly has served on several bar committees as well as on the Board of Directors of the Customs and International Trade Bar Association (CITBA), chairing its Subcommittee on Trade Adjustment Assistance and co-authoring its Primer on Litigating Trade Adjustment Assistance Cases. She is also an elected member of the American Law Institute and past co-chair of the International Economic Law Group of the American Society of International Law.

Judge Kelly was not only a respected scholar, but also a beloved and devoted teacher and an integral part of the Brooklyn Law School community during her years on the faculty. She was voted Professor of the Year three consecutive years in a row by the student body. She also served on countless faculty committees and worked tirelessly to promote the Law School and her students in the legal community. In January, she was a recipient of the 2014 "Alumni of the Year" award, presented by the Brooklyn Law School Alumni Association.