

**CURRENT UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT- SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS**

<b>Justice</b>	<b>Cur Age</b>	<b>Res</b>	<b>Law School attended</b>	<b>Appointed by</b>	<b>Confirmation Vote</b>	<b>Date began</b>	<b>Religion</b>	<b>Years judge</b>
John G. Roberts, Jr.*	61	DC	Harvard	Bush, G.W.	78-22	09/29/05	Catholic	2
<i>Antonin Scalia***</i>	<i>79</i>	<i>DC</i>	<i>Harvard</i>	<i>Reagan</i>	<i>98-0</i>	<i>09/26/86</i>	<i>Catholic</i>	<i>4</i>
Anthony M. Kennedy	80	CA	Harvard	Reagan	97-0	02/18/88	Catholic	11
Clarence Thomas	68	DC	Yale	Bush, G.H.W.	52-48	10/23/91	Catholic	1
Ruth Bader Ginsburg	83	DC	Hrvd, Columbia	Clinton	97-3	08/10/93	Jewish	13
Stephen Breyer	78	MA	Harvard	Clinton	87-9	08/03/94	Jewish	13
Samuel Alito	66	PA	Yale	Bush, G.W.	58-42	01/31/06	Catholic	15
Sonia Sotomayor	62	NY	Yale	Obama	68-31	08/08/09	Catholic	17
Elena Kagan	56	MA	Harvard	Obama	63-37	08/07/10	Jewish	0**

\*John G. Roberts, Jr. is the Chief Justice of the United States. He is the youngest Chief Justice since John Marshall, who took over the Court at age 45 in 1801.

\*\*Elena Kagan served as Solicitor General in the Obama administration before becoming an associate justice.

\*\*\*Antonin Scalia died on February 13, 2016. President Obama nominated Judge Merrick Garland, Chief Judge of the DC Circuit Court of Appeals on March 16, 2016. The Senate has yet to consider his nomination.

The current membership of the Court listed by Supreme Court starting date, as of the beginning of **October, 2016**.

“Years judge” refers to any prior judicial experience before becoming a member of the Court