

Judge Bev Cutler retired in January 2016 after 38 years of judicial service in Alaska. She served 5 years as a limited jurisdiction District Court state judge, 27 years as a general jurisdiction State Superior Court judge— where she was the first female judge in Alaska appointed into that position— and 5 years as a Senior Judge. Prior to her first court appointment she was a Public Defender with the Alaska Public Defender Agency. Before that she served as a research attorney for a state bail and sentencing study under an LEAA grant.

Judge Cutler was born and raised in Washington D.C. She received her BA in History from Stanford University in 1971, and her JD from Yale Law School in 1974. She has been an NAWJ Board member three times, in the capacity of District 13 Director and Board Secretary. She is a member of the American Bar Association, where she is a Fellow, the Alaska Bar Association, and the American Immigration Lawyers Association. She is admitted to practice in both Alaska and the District of Columbia Federal District Court. She presently resides in both Alaska and Virginia.