



David Alan Bragdon

President Trump announced his intention to nominate David Bragdon to serve on the United States District Court for the Middle District of North Carolina on August 20, 2025.

Career¹

- Bachelor of Arts, Campbell University, 1999
- University of Virginia School of Law, 2002
- Law Clerk, Stephen F. Williams, 2002-2003
- Associate, Burr & Forman, 2003-2006
- Law Clerk, Clarence Thomas, 2006-2007
- Resident Legal Advisor, U.S. Department of Justice (Office of Overseas Prosecutorial Development, Assistance, and Training), 2017-2020
- Adjunct Professor, Campbell University School of Law, 2023
- Assistant U.S. Attorney, U.S. Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of North Carolina, 2007-Present

Record on Reproductive Freedom

Bragdon authored a personal blog called "DAVID BRAGDON'S RADICAL Conservative, Republican, Libertarian Home Page,"² where he opined on numerous political issues and fundamental rights – including abortion.³

- On his abortion page, Bragdon proclaimed that "abortion is wrong."⁴ He propagated so-called fetal personhood ideology and blamed a "woman's poor judgment" and pre-marital sex for abortions.⁵ He argued that "[e]ach mother going to get an abortion already had her choice. Everyone is pro-choice in one way or another. Non-abortionists just believe that the choice comes before the baby."⁶
- When questioned by Senate Judiciary members in questions for the record about whether he stands by the opinions he expressed in the blog, Bragdon refused to disavow the statements he wrote. He responded that while some of his views may have changed over time, "there are a few things I would write the same way that I did then."⁷

¹ David Alan Bragdon, Questionnaire for Judicial Nominees, United States Senate Committee on the Judiciary (Aug. 21, 2025).

² David Bragdon, *DAVID BRAGDON'S RADICAL Conservative, Republican, Libertarian Home page*, GeoCities Blog (June 6, 2000), available at <https://web.archive.org/web/20000606052226/http://www.geocities.com/CapitolHill/Lobby/5258/index.html>.

³ *Id.*

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⁴ David Bragdon, *Abortion*, GeoCities Blog (May 17, 2000), available at <https://web.archive.org/web/20000517061426/http://www.geocities.com/CapitolHill/Lobby/5258/abortion.html>.

⁵ *Id.*

⁶ *Id.*

⁷ David Alan Bragdon, Written Questions for David Alan Bragdon Nominee to be a U.S. District Judge for the Middle District of North Carolina, Dick Durbin, United States Senate Committee on the Judiciary (Sep. 24, 2025).