The Chief Justices of the United States

Though Article III of the U.S. Constitution only references the Chief Justice as the presiding officer during Presidential impeachment, numerous responsibilities have been added to the role since 1789. The Chief presides over the entire judicial branch including the Supreme Court, the lower federal courts, and the Administrative Office of the Courts. The Chief Justice is appointed by the President and confirmed by the Senate. Like all other federal judges, they serve "during periods of good behavior" which has been interpreted to mean a lifetime appointment.

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