

Judge John L. Kane (Ret.)
U.S. District Court
Denver, CO

Judge John L. Kane became a United States District Judge in 1977.

Judge Kane served in the Peace Corps from 1967 to 1969, first in Calcutta, India, and then in Turkey. Before that, he served as Colorado's first public defender and founded the state's first racially integrated law office in 1963 with the late Irving P. Andrews. He has received numerous awards in the fields of academics and law. Since becoming a judge, he has consulted internationally on human rights and

constitutional issues on behalf of the U.S. State Department and the U.S. Information Agency.

Judge Kane received a B.A. in English Literature from the University of Colorado Boulder in 1958 and his J.D. from the University of Denver in 1961. He received an honorary LL.D. from the University of Denver in 1997. He was a visiting lecturer at Trinity College in Dublin, Ireland, and has taught graduate and undergraduate levels in law and liberal arts at the University of Denver and University of Colorado Law School.

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