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Judge Lawrence J. Vilardo graduated from Canisius High School and then received a Bachelor of Arts *summa cum laude*, in 1977 from Canisius College. He received a Juris Doctor *magna cum laude*, in 1980 from Harvard Law School. He served as a law clerk to Judge Irving Loeb Goldberg of the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, from 1980 to 1981. From 1981 to 1986, he was an associate at the law firm of Damon Morey LLP. From 1986 to 2015, he was a founding partner of the law firm of Connors & Vilardo, LLP., where he conducted a wide range of civil and criminal litigation in State and Federal courts at the trial and appellate levels. Judge Vilardo has served as a United States District Judge of the District Court for the Western District of New York since 2015.