

KENNETH FRANK INGRAM
Associate Judge - Court of Civil Appeals - 1987-1989
Presiding Judge - Court of Civil Appeals - 1989-1991
Associate Justice - Alabama Supreme Court - 1991-1997

BORN: July 7, 1929; Ashland, Alabama

Kenneth F. Ingram, a fourth generation Clay Countian, graduated from Auburn University in 1956 with a degree in history and English, and from Jones School of Law in 1963. He served in the United States Marine Corps during the Korean War.

Justice Ingram's public service career began in 1956 with his election to the Ashland City Council. From 1958 to 1966, he served in the Alabama Legislature. His judicial career began in 1968 when Governor Albert Brewer appointed him circuit judge for the 18th judicial circuit. He was elected and re-elected in 1970, 1976, and 1982. He served as presiding judge for Clay, Coosa, and Shelby counties until January 1987. During his eighteen years as circuit judge, he was a member of the original committee that drafted our present criminal code; served as chairman of the civil court forms committee and as president of the Alabama Circuit Judges Association; and was a long time member and chairman of the state Judicial Inquiry Commission.

In 1986, Ingram was elected to the Alabama Court of Civil Appeals and became presiding judge of that Court in April 1989. In 1990, he was elected to a seat on the Supreme Court, where he served until January 1997. During his tenure on the appellate courts, he authored more than 700 opinions, three of which were lead cases for A.L.R. annotations.

Justice Kenneth F. Ingram is married to the former Judy Brown of Gadsden. They have two children and two grandchildren.

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