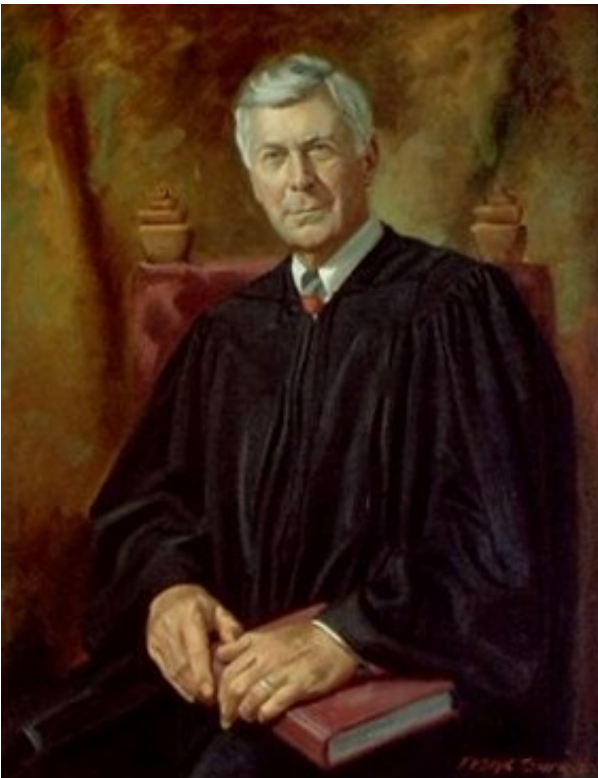


## **J. GORMAN HOUSTON, JR.**

Associate Justice: 1985-2005

BORN: March 11, 1933; Eufaula, Alabama

Died: September 13, 2024; Montgomery, Alabama



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Oil on canvas, circa 1992***

A native of Eufaula, Alabama, J. Gorman Houston, attended the public schools in Eufaula. He received a B.S. degree from Auburn University and a LL.B. from the University of Alabama School of Law. He served as law clerk for Chief Justice J. Ed Livingston and as a judge advocate in the United States Air Force. He practiced law in Eufaula for 25 years.

Houston was appointed associate justice of the Supreme Court in 1985. He was elected to that position in 1986, and was re-elected in 1992 and again in 1998. On August 22, 2003, he assumed the position of Acting Chief Justice and served as such until June 22, 2004, when he resumed his position as Senior Associate Justice.

Houston served as president of the Barbour County Bar Association; as Bar Commissioner for the Third Judicial Circuit; as a Bar Examiner; and as a member of the Alabama State Bar Disciplinary Commission. A member of the Fellows of both the American Bar Association and the Alabama Bar Association.

Houston married Martha Martin, and they have two children: Mildred Vance Houston and Reverend Doctor J. Gorman Houston III.

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