

# Connecticut Bar Association Capitol Update with Bill Chapman



## Capitol Update News

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## @ the Capitol

The Senate and House are in session this Wednesday so they can confirm executive nomination and also the judges and justices who have been voted through the Judiciary Committee. The House will be in session the following Monday, March 12. Up to 20 new judges may be nominated in the very near future. There will also be 27 public hearings.

The Judiciary Committee met this past Monday from 10:00 a.m. until 1:30 a.m., where they interviewed and approved re-nominated judges and interim Justices Khan and Mullins, and Judge Bright. Justice McDonald was interviewed by the committee for over 12 hours. They questioned his decisions as chair of the Judiciary Committee, as the governor's general counsel, on the Supreme Court bench, and his relationship with the governor. The ensuing vote was 20-20-1 with one recusal and one Democrat flipping, resulting in a vote determined "unfavorable" because it was not a majority vote. This contentious vote will come to the House as the first chamber. Stay tuned.

[Public hearing](#) notice for the Judiciary Committee on March 9, 2018. JF Day is April 4, 2018.

## Public Hearings

### Monday, March 5, 2018

10:30 a.m. - [Transportation Committee](#) in Room 1E

11:00 a.m. - [Government Administration and Elections Committee](#) in Room 2A

11:00 a.m. - [Public Health Committee](#) in Room 1D

11:15 a.m. - [Planning and Development Committee](#) in Room 2D

### Tuesday, March 6, 2018

10:00 a.m. - [General Law Committee](#) in Room 1E

10:00 a.m. - [Human Services Committee](#) in Room 2A

11:00 a.m. - [Committee on Children](#) in Room 1D

11:00 a.m. - [Executive and Legislative Nominations](#) in Room 1A

11:00 a.m. - [Public Safety and Security Committee](#) in Room 2B

12:00 p.m. - [Housing Committee](#) in Room 1C

12:00 p.m. - [Insurance and Real Estate Committee](#) in Room 2D

1:00 p.m. - [Banking Committee](#) in Room 1B

1:00 p.m. - [Energy & Technology Committee](#) in Room 2E

1:00 p.m. - [Higher Education and Employment Advancement Committee](#) in Room 2C

3:00 p.m. - [Veteran' Affairs Committee](#) in Room 1C

### Thursday, March 8, 2018

10:00 a.m. - [Human Services Committee](#) in Room 2A

10:00 a.m. - [Public Safety & Security](#) in Room 2B

11:00 a.m. - Commerce Committee in Room 1C

11:00 a.m. - [Education Committee](#) in Room 1A  
11:15 a.m. - [Aging Committee](#) in Room 1E  
12:00 p.m. - Insurance Committee in Room 2D  
1:00 p.m. - [Energy & Technology Committee](#)  
in Room 2E  
1:00 p.m. - [Higher Education Committee](#) in Room  
2C  
2:30 p.m. - [Labor Committee](#) in Room  
1D

#### **Friday, March 9, 2018**

11:00 a.m. - Environment Committee in Room  
2B  
11:00 a.m. - [Judiciary Committee](#) in Room 2E  
1:00 p.m. - [Appropriations Committee](#) in Room  
2C

#### **Committee Forums and Presentations**

##### **Thursday, March 8, 2018**

10:00 a.m. - The Commerce Committee  
Informational Forum with "CT Next"  
on at in Room 1C of the Legislative Office  
Building.

#### **Friday, March 9, 2017**

10:00 a.m. - The Environment Committee  
Informational Meeting on Connecticut Siting  
Council Determination Process for Solar Farm  
Applications in Room 2B of the Legislative Office  
Building.

#### **Rules Committee**

The Rules Committee of the Superior Court held  
a meeting on Monday, February 26. They voted  
to forward a proposal to their May public hearing  
by Quinnipiac Law School Civil Justice Clinic with  
support from the CBA Immigration Law  
Committee to change Rule 2-E of the Practice  
Book in order to clarify that DACA beneficiaries  
are eligible for admission to the Connecticut Bar.

#### **Capitol Update Video**

Don't miss this week's Capitol update Video with  
Mike Cronin, chief legal counsel for the Senate  
Republicans.