After serving on the court of appeals for five years, my country called me to a different kind of public service.

In Iraq, I worked to establish major crimes courts to prosecute terrorists. In Afghanistan, the work was to establish new civil courts.

Service to the people of this great country at any level is a privilege and an honor. Now I'm back home and I'm ready to go to work on the supreme court of North Carolina. I hope you'll give me that honor.