Justice Patrick E. Donovan

Justice Patrick E. Donovan is the 109th justice to serve on the New Hampshire Supreme Court. Following his unanimous confirmation by the Executive Council, he was sworn in by Governor Christopher Sununu on May 8, 2018. He serves as chairman of the Court's Advisory Committee on Rules.

Justice Donovan began his legal career as a Supreme Court law clerk in 1990. Before joining the Court, he spent 18 years in private practice in Salem, focusing on civil, commercial, and criminal matters. Earlier in his career, he worked as an associate at Goodwin Procter in Boston and as an assistant attorney general in the New Hampshire Department of Justice's Criminal Bureau. He was later promoted to senior assistant attorney general in the Homicide Unit. He also served for two years as counsel to the New Hampshire House of Representatives.

Justice Donovan graduated from Boston College Law School in 1990, where he served as an editor of the *Boston College Environmental Affairs Law Review*. He earned his undergraduate degree in government and English from Dartmouth College in 1986. During college, he interned at the White House, played varsity football, and was selected for membership in leadership organizations, including Green Key and Palaeopitus.

Justice Donovan has also served on several charitable boards, including the Boys & Girls Club of Greater Salem, where he previously served as vice president and president of the board and currently serves on its Board of Governors.