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It is with great sorrow that the GBA announces the passing of former member, the Honorable Peter C. Siguenza, Jr. Chief Justice Siguenza had served the people of Guam as an attorney at the law firm of Blair Sterling Johnson & Martinez, P.C. before contributing 19 years of service as a Judicial Officer at the Judiciary of Guam, first as Trial Judge at the Superior Court of Guam in 1984, then as Chief Justice at the Supreme Court of Guam in 1996. At the conclusion of his first term as Chief Justice, Chief Justice Siguenza continued his role as Associate Justice until he was reappointed for a second term as Chief Justice in 2001. Chief Justice Siguenza retired in January of 2003 but continued his service to our island as Associate Professor in Legal Studies at the University of Guam.

During Chief Justice Siguenza's time at the Judiciary, he actively served in numerous community and legal organizations, including Chair of the Father Duenas Memorial School Board of Trustees in 1991 and Chair of the Supreme Court of Guam Rules Commission in 1993. In the early 1980's, Chief Justice Siguenza taught guitar at the former Guam Academy of Music and Arts in Hagåtña and was a musical contributor in the first locally-produced collection of Chamorro music.

As part of the graduating class of 1969 at Father Duenas Memorial School, Chief Justice Siguenza moved to Sacramento, California where he earned his A.A. from American River College before earning his B.A. in Government from California State University - Sacramento in 1976. In 1980, Chief Justice Siguenza received his Juris Doctor degree from the McGeorge School of Law at the University of the Pacific, also in Sacramento. During his lifetime career in the legal system, he maintained active membership with several bar associations, including the Guam Bar, CNMI Bar, and the California Bar.

It is without a doubt that we remember all the wonderful accomplishments Chief Justice Siguenza had given to his community and toward the evolution of our justice system here on Guam. Please join us in keeping his wife Kathy F. Siguenza and his entire family in our thoughts and prayers.

Senseramente,


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