The Honorable Thomas M. Hardiman serves as a judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, having been nominated by President George W. Bush and confirmed by the Senate (95-0) in 2007. Prior to becoming an appellate judge, Judge Hardiman served as a trial judge on the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania beginning in November 2003.

Judge Hardiman teaches Advanced Constitutional Law: Current Issues to Duquesne Law’s upper-level students. Six years ago, he established the Robert and Judith Hardiman Scholarship for current or prospective law students at Duquesne, including first-generation law students who demonstrate academic aptitude and financial need. He named the scholarship for his parents who emphasized the importance of education to their five children.

Judge Hardiman served a key role in Duquesne University’s 2013 national program, An Afternoon with Justice Clarence Thomas, when he directed a wide-ranging conversation with Justice Thomas and Ken Gormley, then the law dean. More than 1,200 people attended the event and C-SPAN aired it nationally. Among other roles, Judge Hardiman has participated in Dine and Dialogue events and moderated panel discussions for law students.