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## **JUDGE MIKE MAGGIO ANNOUNCES FOR ARKANSAS COURT OF APPEALS DISTRICT 2**

Conway – On Thursday, Circuit Judge Mike Maggio announced that he will be a candidate for the Arkansas Court of Appeals District 2, Position 1.

Position 1 is currently held by Bill Walmsey, an appointee of Governor Mike Beebe.

“I am excited to announce my candidacy for the Arkansas Court of Appeals,” stated Maggio. “I look forward to bringing a conservative philosophy to the bench. To borrow a baseball analogy, Arkansas needs strict constructionist umpires on the judicial bench to call balls and strikes, not activist judges who will redefine what the strike zone may or may not be.”

In 2001, Governor Mike Huckabee appointed Maggio as circuit judge for the 20<sup>th</sup> Judicial District. He has won two elections for circuit judge since being appointed. Maggio currently is the Administrative Judge for the 20<sup>th</sup> Judicial District.

“The people who know me the best have elected me to two terms to serve them as their conservative judicial voice of reason,” Maggio continued. “My consistently conservative judicial philosophy is evidenced by my track record in those cases.”

“I am proud of my legal ability combined with my work ethic to efficiently administer one of the largest trial dockets in the state,” stated Maggio.

“My judicial experience is extensive and will serve Arkansas’ judiciary well,” continued Maggio. “As circuit judge, I’ve made the tough decisions while remaining true to the rule of law. I will continue that on the Court of Appeals.”

### **ABOUT MIKE MAGGIO**

Judge Mike Maggio attended college at Millsaps College where he was a double major in History and Political Science. He graduated law school from the University of Arkansas at Little Rock (UALR).

Maggio practiced law in private practice for eleven years focusing on representing business clients. During this time, he also was a small business owner.

Maggio has an extensive record of service to his community. He is a current member of the Arkansas Judicial Council, Faulkner County Leadership Alumnus, and the United Way. He is a past member of the Board of Trustees for University of Arkansas Community College at Morrilton, the US Chamber of Commerce, and the National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB). He was also selected as one of *Arkansas Business*’Forty under Forty young achievers.

Maggio is a father of five (5), and he resides in Conway.