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MINUTES
ADVISORY COUNCIL for PROSECUTING ATTORNEYS

Minutes of the September 9, 2010, meeting of the
State of Nevada Advisory Council for Prosecuting Attorneys -

Via teleconference with access available to the public at the following location:
Office of the Attorney General – Conference Room
5450 Kietzke Lane - Suite 202, Reno, NV 89511

I. Call to Order and Roll Call. Council Chairman Masto called the September 9, 2010, meeting of the Advisory Council to order at 2:15 PM.

Members Present:

Catherine Cortez Masto, Chairman
Arthur Mallory, Vice Chairman
Elizabeth Quillin
David Roger
Brett Kandt, Executive Director (recording secretary)

Member Absent:

Richard Gammick
Doug Gillespie
Brad Jerbic

Other Attendees:

Cheri Emm

II. Discussion and possible selection of Recipient of 2010 William J. Raggio Award. The Council considered the following nominees:

- a) Third Judicial District Court Judge Archie E. Blake
- b) U.S. District Court Judge Larry R. Hicks

The Council agreed that both nominees were deserving of recognition. Arthur Mallory and Cheri Emm offered specific comments regarding Judge Blake regarding his service as a prosecutor in Lyon County and his work establishing the Western Regional

Drug Court. Elizabeth Quillin offered specific comments regarding Judge Hicks. Upon a motion by Arthur Mallory, seconded by David Roger, and carried unanimously, the Council formally named Third Judicial District Court Judge Archie E. Blake the recipient of the 2010 William J. Raggio Award and resubmitted Judge Hicks' nomination for consideration for the award in 2011. The Executive Director will draft appropriate language reflecting Judge Blake's achievements for inclusion on the recipient's plaque.

III. Time and Location of Next Meeting. Kandt reported that the Council is scheduled to meet in conjunction with the next meeting of the Nevada District Attorneys Association on September 23, 2010, at the 20109 Nevada Prosecutors Conference in Virginia City.

X. Public Comment. None.

XI. Adjournment. Upon a motion by Arthur Mallory, seconded by David Roger, and carried unanimously, the Council meeting was adjourned at 3:30 PM.

CERTIFICATION OF SECRETARY

I, Brett Kandt, the duly appointed secretary of the State of Nevada Advisory Council for Prosecuting Attorneys, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the September 9, 2010, meeting of the Advisory Council, as approved by the Advisory Council on JANUARY 19TH, 2011.



Brett Kandt
Secretary
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NOMINATION FORM
THE 2010 WILLIAM J. RAGGIO AWARD

The Nevada Advisory Council for Prosecuting Attorneys is seeking nominations for the 2010 William J. Raggio Award. This annual award is given to a person employed by, or retired from, a federal, state, county or municipal prosecutor's office in Nevada who has contributed significantly to the improvement of the administration of justice in Nevada.

Nominee's Name ARCHIE E. BLAKE

Nominee's Title and Office (or prior office if recently retired): Judge -
Third Judicial District Court

PLEASE ATTACH A BRIEF ESSAY DETAILING NOMINEE'S QUALIFICATIONS AND MERIT FOR THE AWARD.

Your Name: Cheri Emma Smith Office: Mineral County District Attorney
 Address/City/State/Zip: P.O. BOX 1210 - Hawthorne NV 89415
 Office Phone: 775-945-3636 Email: districtattorney@mineralcountynv.org

Please fax your nomination form to Brett Kandt, Advisory Council Executive Director, at (775) 688-1822 - NO LATER THAN Friday, August 27, 2010.

The Advisory Council will review all nominations and make the selection. The recipient of the 2010 William J. Raggio Award will be honored at the 2010 Nevada Prosecutor's Conference, scheduled for September 22-24 in Virginia City.

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July 23, 2010

Nevada Advisory Council for Prosecuting Attorneys
5420 Kietzke Lane, Suite 202
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Re: Nomination of the Honorable Archie E. Blake for the 2009 William J. Raggio Award

Dear Council:

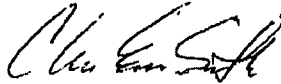
I am nominating Judge Archie E. Blake for the 2010 William J. Raggio Award. The Western Regional Drug Court program continues to be one of the most important resources Mineral County has to provide alcohol and drug treatment services in this rural area. In 2010, Judge Blake and Judge Breen have incorporated the DUI Court as part of the circuit with the Western Regional Drug Court.

Judge Blake and Judge Breen "ride the rural court circuit" every two weeks and hold Drug Court and DUI Court in Fallon, Yerington, and Hawthorne. The Circuit Court is held in addition to the program in Carson City, Douglas and Storey Counties. I have personally observed the significant impact the Drug Court has made in the rehabilitation of hard core addicts. I have seen our graduates regain their dignity, their families, and the strength to change their lives for the better.

Judge Blake is a dedicated legal scholar, and he has served the rural Nevada communities throughout his legal career. I have had the privilege to work with Judge Blake since 1986 when he was an Assistant District Attorney in Lyon County, the Tribal Prosecutor for the Walker River Paiute Tribe, and private law practitioner. I also had the unique privilege of being his first law clerk in January 1988 when he was first appointed to the bench of the Third Judicial District Court. Senior Judge Blake continues to ensure that justice is served in the rural counties and the State of Nevada.

I nominate Senior Judge Blake for the 2010 William J. Raggio Award because of his devoted service of providing justice for rural Nevada and his dedication to the law.

Sincerely,



CHERI EMM-SMITH
Mineral County District Attorney



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Nominee's Name LARRY R. HICKS

Nominee's Title and Office (or prior office if recently retired): FEDERAL DISTRICT COURT JUDGE

PLEASE ATTACH A BRIEF ESSAY DETAILING NOMINEE'S QUALIFICATIONS AND MERIT FOR THE AWARD.

Your Name: DICK GAMMICK Office: WCDA

Address/City/State/Zip: One South Sierra St., Reno, NV 89520

Office Phone: 328-3220 Email: dgammick@dc.washoecounty.us

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BIOGRAPHY

LARRY R. HICKS

Judge Larry R. Hicks is a District Court judge in the federal District Court for the District of Nevada. He was sworn onto the bench in 2001 and he serves primarily in the Reno/Northern Nevada branch of the court.

Judge Hicks began his legal career in the Washoe County District Attorney's office in Reno in 1968, when he was hired by the then District Attorney, Bill Raggio. In the years that followed, Judge Hicks served as a chief deputy and he was elected as Washoe County District Attorney in 1974. He successfully tried numerous murder, robbery and other major jury trials while with the D.A.'s office. As District Attorney, his office was highly respected for its trial effectiveness and two of his deputies followed him as district attorneys of Washoe County - Cal Dunlap and Mills Lane.

Upon leaving the District Attorney's office in 1979, Judge Hicks became a partner in the Reno law firm of McDonald Carano & Wilson LLP. Judge Hicks was an active trial lawyer with the McDonald Carano firm and served as Chairman of the firm's Litigation Section for over fifteen years.

Judge Hicks served as president of the State Bar of Nevada in 1994 and 1995. During his years as a practicing trial lawyer, he was inducted into the American College of Trial Lawyers, an organization whose membership is by invitation only and is limited to no more than 1% of the practicing lawyers of the state's bar. Judge Hicks is also a past president of the Bruce R. Thompson Chapter of the American Inns of Court.

As a federal judge, Judge Hicks has served in both Las Vegas and Reno and now spends more than 80% of his judicial time in Reno. He presided over the trial entitled United States v. Mary Kincaid-Chauncey and Dario Herrera, a two-month long political corruption trial in Las Vegas, which was highly sensationalized in both the Nevada and national press. He has also presided over numerous criminal and environmental cases in northern Nevada.

William J. Raggio Award

The Nevada Advisory Council for Prosecuting Attorneys annually presents the William J. Raggio Award to a prosecutor who has contributed significantly to the improvement of the administration of justice in Nevada. The award is named in honor of former Washoe County District Attorney and current Senate Majority Leader William J. Raggio, who was the inaugural award recipient in 1998. Since then, the following individuals have been recipients of the award:

1999 - Clark County Chief Deputy District Attorney Ben Graham was recognized for his efforts on behalf of prosecutors at the Nevada State Legislature.

2000 - Clark County Chief Deputy District Attorney Thomas L. Leen was recognized for his treatise on "*Miranda* and other 5th Amendment Issues".

2001 - Clark County Chief Deputy District Attorney William T. Koot was recognized for his treatise on "The Law of Search and Seizure for Lawyers".

2002 - Former Attorney General Frankie Sue Del Papa and former Clark County District Attorney Stewart Bell were co-recipients of the award in recognition of their service and contributions while in office.

2003 - Mills B. Lane was recognized for his exemplary career in Washoe County, including service as Deputy District Attorney, Chief Deputy District Attorney, Chief Deputy Sheriff, District Attorney, and District Court Judge.

2004 - Retired Clark County Chief Deputy District Attorney Melvyn T. Harmon was recognized for his twenty-nine year career as a dedicated prosecutor in Clark County, which included the prosecution of 275 felony jury trials.

2005 - Senior U.S. District Court Judge Howard D. McKibben was recognized for his exemplary career, including service as Douglas County District Attorney and Douglas County District Court Judge, prior to his appointment to the federal bench.

2006 - Noel S. Waters was recognized for his twenty-one years as Carson City District Attorney and his dedication and innovation as a prosecutor.

2007 - Washoe County Chief Deputy District Kristin L. Erickson was recognized for her achievements on behalf of prosecutors at the Nevada State Legislature.

2008 - Judge Richard A. Wagner was recognized for his exemplary career in Pershing County, first as District Attorney and then as District Court Judge for the Sixth Judicial District.

2009 - James H. Tuffeland was recognized for his exemplary career as a dedicated prosecutor at the Clark County District Attorney's Office, including his achievements as chief appellate deputy and as a mentor to other prosecutors.

The Raggio Award is presented at the Nevada Prosecutors Conference.