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SUPREME COURT ANNOUNCES NEW PRESIDING JUDGE FOR MARICOPA COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT

Monday, Dec. 28, 2009 - Arizona Supreme Court Chief Justice Rebecca White Berch has announced the selection of Maricopa County Superior Court Judge Norman J. Davis as the new Presiding Judge of Arizona's most populous county and the fifth largest Superior Court in the nation.

Judge Davis' appointment becomes effective on July 1, 2010, when he assumes the responsibilities of current Presiding Judge Barbara Mundell, who has served in the leadership role since July 1, 2005. The presiding judge is appointed to a five-year term. Judge Davis serves currently with Judge Mundell as the Associate Presiding Judge of the County.

"We are pleased that Judge Davis has accepted this important assignment," stated Chief Justice Berch. "It was critical that we were able to appoint someone as the next Presiding Judge with extensive experience. Judge Davis is just the person for this position and will provide strong leadership going forward."

Judge Davis became a Superior Court Judge in Family Court in 1995. He has been instrumental in re-engineering the family court process now in place in Maricopa County. He has also served in the Civil, Criminal, and Juvenile Divisions, as well as Northwest Presiding Judge and Family Court Presiding Judge, before being named Associate Presiding Judge for Maricopa

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County in 2008. He has served on numerous committees, including the Arizona Legislature Child Support Committee, Supreme Court Committee on Superior Court, Superior Court Judicial Executive Committee, the Arizona Judges Association, and served as Chair of the Superior Court Self Service Center Advisory Committee.

Judge Davis is also a past member of the Agua Fria High School Governing Board and past member and president of the Litchfield Elementary School Board.

Maricopa County Superior Court is the 5th largest trial court system in the Nation and Maricopa County is the fastest growing U.S. county. To serve the rapidly-increasing population, the bench is comprised of 95 Superior Court Judges, 55 Superior Court Commissioners, and 25 Justices of the Peace. For information about Maricopa County Superior Court, visit www.superiorcourt.maricopa.gov.

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