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Arizona Appellate Judge Nominated for Federal Judgeship in Arizona

SAN FRANCISCO – President Bush has nominated Arizona Court of Appeals Judge G. Murray Snow to serve as a federal judge on the United States District Court for the District of Arizona. The White House announced the nomination December 11.

If confirmed by the Senate, Judge Snow will fill a judgeship vacant since October 1, 2007, when U.S. District Judge Stephen M. McNamee took senior status.

Judge Snow was appointed to the Arizona Court of Appeals in 2002 by Gov. Jane Dee Hull. He stood for election to the office in 2004, receiving nearly 75 percent of the vote. He is one of 16 judges sitting in the appellate court's Phoenix division.

Prior to coming onto the state court bench, Judge Snow was a partner in the Phoenix law firm of Osborn Maledon, 1995-2002. He was associated with the Phoenix law firm of Meyer, Hendricks, Victor, Osborn & Maledon, 1988-1995.

A native of Boulder City, Nevada, Judge Snow received his B.A. from Brigham Young University, graduating *magna cum laude* in 1984. He received his J.D. from the BYU J. Reuben Clark Law School, graduating *magna cum laude* in 1987. He served as editor-in-chief of the school's Law Review, 1986-1987, and received the Order of the Coif. He served as a law clerk to Judge Stephen H. Anderson of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit, 1987-88.

Judge Snow is a member of the J. Reuben Clark Law Society, 1990 to present, and an appellate judge member and current dean of the Judicial College of Arizona, 2003 to present. He also served on the Committee on Professional Rules of Conduct, 1998-2004; the Ethical Rules Review Group, 2000-2004; the Arizona Association of Health Care Lawyers, 1991-2002; and as an adjunct professor of political science at Arizona State University, 1988-1995.

The U.S. District Court for the District of Arizona is one of the nation's busiest with 7,396 case filings in 2006. The court, which hears cases in Phoenix and Tucson, is authorized 13 judgeships and currently has one vacancy.

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