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Governor Richardson Appoints Ralph Shamas to Fifth Judicial District Court

Santa Fe - Governor Bill Richardson today appointed Ralph Davis Shamas, Sr. as District Judge in the Fifth Judicial District.

“Ralph Shamas has strong ties to Chaves County, as well as compassion and understanding for the people of southeastern New Mexico,” said Governor Bill Richardson. “We are fortunate to have someone with his experience and dedication to public service.”

Shamas, a Roswell native, received a Bachelor of Business Administration from the University of New Mexico and is a graduate of the University of Iowa School of Law. He first joined the Roswell law firm of Atwood, Malone, Turner and Sabin and went on to have partnerships with Tandy Hunt and Charles Currier. Most recently, Mr. Shamas established his own practice in the areas of civil law and criminal defense.

Shamas replaces William P. Lynch, who was selected to be a U.S. Magistrate Judge in Las Cruces.

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