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Governor Bill Richardson Appoints Reed Sheppard to 2nd Judicial District Court

SANTA FE - Governor Bill Richardson today announced his appointment of Reed Sheppard to serve on the 2nd Judicial District Court.

“Reed Sheppard is known for his deep commitment to the rule of law and his compassion,” Governor Richardson said. “His experience as a metro court judge and an advocate for children and families will serve him well on the District Court bench.”

Mr. Sheppard has served as a Special Domestic Violence Commissioner for the 2nd Judicial District Court since 2002, reviewing petitions for temporary orders of protection and conducting hearings to determine temporary restraining order extensions. Between 2001 and 2003, he ran a private practice handling criminal defense, personal injury and also representing children as a guardian ad litem in family court cases.

Mr. Sheppard served as a Metro Court Judge from January to December of 2000 and has been instrumental in the establishment of the new Family Advocacy Center for victims of Domestic Violence. Sheppard earned his undergraduate degree from Louisiana State University and graduated cum laude from the University of New Mexico Law School.

He will fill the seat on the bench vacated by former Judge J. Michael Kavanuagh.

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