

JUDGE PAUL GOLDMAN FOR DIST. JUDGE

District Court Judge Paul S. Goldman filed to retain the Department Ten seat to which he was appointed by Governor Mike O'Callaghan. The 40-year old judge is Acting Chief Judge for the Eighth Judicial District Court.



JUDGE GOLDMAN

Prior to entering private practice in Denver, Judge Goldman received a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Houston and his Juris Doctor from the University of Denver. Goldman was initially admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of the State of Colorado, the U. S. District Court for Colorado, and U. S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit. After five years in private practice in Denver, Judge Goldman came to Las Vegas to act as legal counsel for Reynolds Electrical and Engineering Company, Inc., (REECO).

The jurist was admitted to the Bar in Nevada in 1970 and is admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of the State of Nevada, the U.S. District Court in Nevada, and the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. Judge Goldman has also been admitted to the Bar of the United States Supreme Court.

The judge left private practice to become a Deputy District Attorney in Clark County, where he was involved in numerous major prosecutions for two years. Judge Goldman later

was appointed Assistant U. S. Attorney for the District of Nevada by U. S. Attorney V. Devoe Heaton, and played a key role in the prosecution of major criminal cases.

Since being appointed to the Bench by Governor O'Callaghan, the judge has, in addition to his Acting Chief Judge responsibilities, been designated as Probate Judge and has sat on the Nevada Supreme Court at the request of that Court.

Goldman was a Naval Officer with four years' flying service in Heavy Attack Squadron 13 aboard the USS Independence, USS Saratoga and USS Kitty Hawk.

Married and the father of three daughters, Judge Goldman served as General Chairman of the Governor's Regal Ball on behalf of the City of Hope earlier this month. His wife, Charlene, is active in numerous civic projects,

POLITICAL HOPEFULS

MEL CLOSE FOR STATE SENATOR

Senator Mel Close, Jr. filed for re-election to the Nevada State Senate.

Senator Close was first elected to the Legislature in 1965 and was elected to three terms in the Assembly, where he served as Speaker of the Assembly and Minority Floor Leader. Close has served four years in the Senate, where he is now the Chairman of the powerful Senate Judiciary. This committee is responsible for approximately 25% of all of the legislation handled during each legislative session.

During this past session Close introduced and had passed the first campaign disclosure bill ever enacted in Nevada. This bill requires every legislative candidate to file a complete and accurate list of his campaign expenditures. During the coming session Senator Close has pledged to continue his work for campaign reform, and will attempt to extend this concept to every elected office in the State of Nevada. It is Close's opinion that the voters of Nevada are entitled to know how much a candidate spends to be elected to public office.

Senator Close has sponsored, among other



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things, legislation which doubled the penalty for the commission of a crime while carrying a firearm, provided State compensation for victims of crimes, and required every bill to have attached to it an analysis of its cost to the taxpayers.

He serves on the Board of Directors of the American Cancer Society.

Senator Close and his wife, Sandra, reside in Las Vegas, Nevada, with their three children.

CHARLES THOMPSON FOR DIST. JUDGE

Clark County District Judge candidate Charles Thompson called for an end to "revolving door justice," declaring that the "only way to prevent crime is to deter it through appropriate punishment."

Discussing the continuing increase in crime in Nevada and the nation, Thompson said that it is "imperative that criminals learn they will receive tough sentences when they are convicted."

The courts have a role in preventing crime, Thompson said. "Maintaining the safety of people in their homes and on the streets is everyone's business. It is the obligation of the judiciary as well as the law enforcement agencies to see that a solution is found to the growing crime problem."

The 34-year old attorney believes that more attention should be paid to the plight of the victims of crimes who often suffer lasting scars from their experiences. "While I certainly believe that prisons should offer facilities for the rehabilitation of criminals, it seems that more concern has been ex-



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pressed for the convicts who are imprisoned than for their victims. I commend recent efforts to aid the victims of crime as has been done for rape victims but more needs to be done."

Thompson says that, "A step in the right direction was recently taken by the enactment of legislation permitting the payment of compensation to victims injured as a result of certain serious crimes."

"We must also never forget that the lifeblood of our community depends on tourism. If we cannot maintain safe streets for our visitors the entire economy of the county will suffer."

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