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Judge John Marsh Tyson Files for Election as Superior Court Judge in District 12-C

Fayetteville, North Carolina – February 25, 2010 – Judge John Marsh Tyson filed this afternoon for election as Superior Court Judge in District 12-C in Cumberland County. Current Superior Court Judge Lynn Johnson has announced his retirement at the end of this year.

“I respectfully ask the voters in Cumberland County to allow me to continue my service as a Judge,” said Tyson.

Elected by statewide election in 2000 to the North Carolina Court of Appeals, Tyson authored more than 800 majority opinions and decided over 2,500 appeals during his eight-year term on North Carolina’s second highest court. Tyson reviewed and ruled on civil, criminal and administrative cases from Superior Courts throughout North Carolina.

Tyson currently serves as a Recall Judge on the North Carolina Court of Appeals and as an Emergency Superior Court Judge. Tyson also serves as an Adjunct Professor of Law at Campbell University’s School of Law, where he has taught since 1987.

Born and raised in Cumberland County, Tyson graduated from Terry Sandford Senior High School and the University of North Carolina at Wilmington before earning his Juris Doctor with honors from Campbell University School of Law as a member of its Charter Class. He holds a Master of Business Administration from Duke University and a Master of Law in Judicial Process from the University of Virginia School of Law.

Tyson is a member of the North Carolina and Virginia State Bars, a Board Certified Specialist in Real Property law, a Certified Mediator and Arbitrator, a past member of the North Carolina Property Tax Commission, and past elected Chairman of both the Cumberland County Joint Planning Board and the Cumberland Soil and Water Conservation District.

Tyson’s more than thirty years of varied professional experience includes the private practice of law, senior level real estate and counsel positions with three national corporations, service as a public school teacher, Probation/Parole Officer and Special Deputy Sheriff. He served as Colonel, Staff Judge Advocate of the Judge Advocate General Corps under the command of the N.C. National Guard until 1996 and is a life member of the National Rifle Association. Judge Tyson holds an AV Preeminent Peer Review Rating from Martindale Hubbell for legal ethics, knowledge and experience.

A life-long member of First Presbyterian Church in Fayetteville, Judge Tyson is married for thirty-five years to Kirby Thomason Tyson. They have four children and happily welcomed the arrival of their first grandchild earlier this month.

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