

## New State Court Judges for 2006

### 2nd Judicial District (Sullivan County)

Chancery Court

**E.G. Moody**, trial lawyer and negotiator from Kingsport, specialized in accident and injury law before replacing Richard E. Ladd.

Criminal Court

**Robert H. Montgomery**, former assistant district attorney general in Sullivan County, replaced Phyllis H. Miller.

### 3rd Judicial District (Green, Hamblen, Hancock, and Hawkins counties)

Circuit Court

**Thomas J. Wright**, former Greene County General Sessions Court Judge, replaced Judge Ben Wexler, who is retiring.

Criminal Court

**John F. Dugger**, formerly an assistant district attorney general and attorney in private practice, replaced James E. Beckner.

### 6th Judicial District (Knox County)

Chancery Court

**Michael W. Moyers**, former Knox County Law Director, replaced Sharon Bell.

### 10th Judicial District (Bradley, McMinn, Monroe, and Polk counties)

Criminal Court

**Amy Armstrong Reedy**, previously an assistant public defender and an assistant district attorney general, replaced Robert Steven Bebb upon his retirement in January, and was elected to an eight-year term in the August general election.

### 11th Judicial District (Hamilton County)

Circuit Court

**Jeff Hollingsworth**, an attorney with Chambliss, Bahner, and Stophel in Chattanooga, has been practicing law for over 25 years and is certified as a civil trial specialist. He was also formerly a prosecutor for Hamilton County. Hollingsworth replaced Samuel H. Payne.

Criminal Court

**Don Poole** worked in private practice at Poole, Thornbury, Morgan and Barrow in Chattanooga for 33 years. In January, Poole was sworn in to replace Stephen Morris Bevil upon Bevil's death, and was elected to an eight-year term in the August general election.

**Barry A. Steelman**, former executive assistant district attorney in Chattanooga, replaced Doug Meyer (did not seek re-election).

**13th Judicial District** (Clay, Cumberland, DeKalb, Overton, Pickett, Putnam, and White counties)

Chancery Court

**Ronald Thurman**, Cookeville attorney, replaced Chancellor Vernon Neal, who retired.

Criminal Court

**David A. Patterson** was most recently chief assistant district attorney for the 13th Judicial District. He defeated incumbent Lillie Ann Sells by ten votes. Sells contested the election results, and Judge Ben H. Cantrell dismissed the suit. Sells has appealed the dismissal.

**18th Judicial District** (Sumner County)

Criminal Court

**Dee David Gay**, who served as assistant district attorney in Sumner county for over 25 years, replaced Jane Wheatcraft, who did not seek re-election.

**20th Judicial District** (Davidson County)

Circuit Court

**Amanda McClendon** practiced civil and criminal law in Nashville. She also represented the 16th District of Davidson County in the Metropolitan Council. McClendon replaced Marietta Shipley (who did not seek re-election).

**21st Judicial District** (Hickman, Lewis, Perry, and Williamson counties)

Circuit Court

**Robbie T. Beal** served as juvenile court referee for Williamson County prior to his election. Beal was also an assistant district attorney for the 21st Judicial District before he became a referee. Beal replaced Russ Heldman, who did not seek re-election.

**23rd Judicial District** (Cheatham, Dickson, Houston, Humphreys, and Stewart counties)

Circuit Court

**Larry J. Wallace**, an attorney practicing since 1993, held offices in Dover and Clarksville before replacing Leonard Martin, who did not seek re-election.

**24th Judicial District** (Benton, Carroll, Decatur, Hardin, and Henry counties)

Circuit Court

**Donald E. Parish**, Huntingdon attorney, spent 24 years in private law practice before running unopposed to replace Julian Guinn, who did not seek re-election.

**25th Judicial District** (Fayette, Hardeman, Lauderdale, McNairy, and Tipton counties)

Chancery Court

**William C. (Bill) Cole**, Millington attorney, replaced Dewey C. Whitenton, who did not seek re-election.

**30th Judicial District** (Shelby County)

Chancery Court

Former Shelby County Chancery Court Clerk **Kenny Armstrong** replaced retiring Chancellor D.J. Alissandratos.

Criminal Court

**Lee V. Coffee**, former assistant district attorney, replaced retiring Judge Arthur T. Bennett.

**James M. Lammey**, former assistant district attorney, replaced retiring Judge Joseph B. Dailey.

Probate Court

**Karen D. Webster**, a private practice attorney from Memphis, replaced longtime Probate Judge Donn Southern. Webster had previously run for General Sessions and Memphis City Court before winning the August election for Probate Court Judge.