

JUSTICE COURT JUDGES



**Judge
Garry R. Sampson**
Lehi Municipal
Justice Court
(Utah County)

Judge Garry R. Sampson was appointed to the Lehi City Justice Court in May of 2004. He attended Utah Valley State College, Brigham Young University and The University of Phoenix for a bachelors in Business Administration and a minor in Education. Prior to his appointment to the bench, he served as the Court Administrator. Prior to becoming the Court Administrator, he worked as an Instructional Designer for computer based educational technology and was an adjunct faculty member for UVSC. Judge Sampson received the District Award of Merit and Silver Beaver from the Boy Scouts of America for his service in Scouting. Judge Sampson is active in his church and community, having served on the Lehi City Council and as Mayor of Lehi. He has completed the Legal Institute for Justice Court Judges through the Administrative Office of the Court. Judge Sampson is married and has six children and 24 grandchildren.

Judge Sampson's compliance with performance standards is as follows:

- 1) Had fewer than the maximum allowable cases held under advisement.
- 2) Had at least 30 hours of continuing judicial education annually during his term.
- 3) Mentally and physically fit for office.
- 4) In substantial compliance with the Code of Judicial Conduct.

The Utah Supreme Court has ordered one public reprimand of Judge Sampson since February 2004. On December 17, 2009, the Court publicly reprimanded Judge Sampson for pointing a firearm at his bailiff as a joke, which did not meet the high standard of conduct required by Canon 1 of the Code of Judicial Conduct.

During a time when court was not in session, Judge Sampson's bailiff jokingly threatened to splash water on him. Judge Sampson pointed a small firearm at her. The bailiff and two other individuals who were present perceived Judge Sampson was joking and had no intention to threaten or harm anyone. Nonetheless, the bailiff and one of the other individuals were concerned the firearm might accidentally discharge.



**Judge
Keith L. Stoney**
Saratoga Springs & West
Valley City Municipal
Justice Court
(Utah & Salt Lake Counties)

Judge Stoney was the first judge appointed to the West Valley City Justice Court on July 1, 2001 where he currently serves as presiding judge. He has a Bachelor of Arts degree in Interpersonal Communication from Brigham Young University and a Juris Doctorate from the J. Reuben Clark School of Law. Prior to taking the bench, he was an Administrative Law Judge, the Chief Prosecutor for West Valley City for 16 years, and has also managed a private law practice. He has taught at Brigham Young University and at the J. Reuben Clark School of Law as an adjunct professor. He has been an instructor for Utah Peace Officer Standards and Training, Salt Lake Community College, Utah Department of Corrections, and Western Community Policing Center. Judge Stoney is presently a justice court judge mentor to newly appointed judges and serves as a Justice Court representative on the Utah Judicial Council.

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