New County Judge appointed in SE Nebraska

(KLZA)-- Nebraska Governor Pete Ricketts has appointed Richard "Rick" R. Smith of Cook to the County Court, First Judicial District which includes Richardson, Pawnee, Johnson, Nemaha, Gage, Jefferson, Saline and Thayer counties.

Smith is 40 years old and has served as Johnson County Attorney since 2015. Prior to that he served as Deputy County Attorney in Johnson County from 2007 – 2015.

Smith has practice law in Tecumseh since 2007, as a partner of Smith and Smith and as sole practitioner of Law Office of Rick Smith since 2015.

Smith holds a Bachelor of Science in Business from Drake University in Des Moines, Iowa and a Juris Doctor from Drake University Law School. He is a member of the Nebraska Bar Association and Southeast Nebraska Bar Association.

Smith fills the vacancy created by the retirement of Judge Curtis L. Maschman.

The primary place of office for the judgeship will be either in Richardson, Nemaha or Pawnee County, to be determined by the Nebraska Supreme Court in consultation with Judge Smith.

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