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ACTING GOV. KING APPOINTS BRIAN FLYNN TO DISTRICT COURT

DENVER – As provided by Colorado Constitution, Keith King is currently Acting Governor of Colorado. Under his authority, Acting Governor Keith King has appointed Brian J. Flynn of Grand Junction to the District Court in the 21st Judicial District (Mesa County). Mr. Flynn is filling a vacancy caused by the retirement of the Honorable Charles A. Buss. This appointment is effective January 11, 2005.

"Brian Flynn is a person of tremendous character and will bring a wealth of expertise to the bench," said Acting Gov. King. "His service as a deputy district attorney has prepared him well to assume the challenges confronting a district court judge. I am extremely confident that Brian will be an exceptional judge for the people of Mesa County."

Mr. Flynn served as a deputy district attorney for over ten years and currently serves as Deputy District Attorney III for the Office of the District Attorney, 21st Judicial District. His specialty is criminal prosecution of felony offenses. Mr. Flynn has participated in over 127 trials, including two murder trials. He also serves on the Mesa County Compensation Sub-committee. Mr. Flynn spends the majority of his free time with his wife and two young sons. He earned his undergraduate degree from the University of Colorado and his law degree from Widener University in Wilmington, Delaware.

The initial term of office for a district court judge is a provisional term of two years, after which the incumbent must stand for retention to serve an additional six years. The annual salary for this position is \$107,044.