

## Chief U.S. Magistrate Judge Ronald E. Bush



**Chief U.S. Magistrate Judge Ronald E. Bush** began service as a United States Magistrate Judge on October 1, 2008. Previously, he served as a state District Judge in the Sixth Judicial District, and prior to that he practiced law for 20 years in both the Pocatello and Boise offices of the law firm of Hawley Troxell Ennis & Hawley, LLP.

Judge Bush is an honors graduate of the University of Idaho, and received his Juris Doctor degree from George Washington University. In his career as a practicing lawyer, he authored or co-authored numerous articles on Idaho civil litigation, Idaho tort law, and Idaho media law.

Judge Bush served as a Lawyer Representative to the United States District Court for the District of Idaho and to the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. He was an organizer and the first president of American Inn of Court No. 130, in Boise, Idaho. He was a member of the governing board of the Federal Public Defender Program for Eastern Washington and Idaho. He received awards for his legal and community service from the Idaho State Bar Association, the Idaho Press Club, the Bannock Health Care Foundation, and the Southeastern Idaho United Way.

As a fifth-generation Idahoan, Judge Bush enjoyed his work as a former member and chairman of the Idaho State Historical Society Board of Trustees. He was an organizer and first president of the Idaho Legal History Society, and continues on its board.