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RENO, NEVADA, UNITED STATES, May 31, 2018 /EINPresswire.com/ -- (Reno, Nev.) – The Honorable David E. Stucki was elected deputy-president of the International Association of Youth and Family Judges and Magistrates (IAYFJM) during the 2018 World Congress on Justice for Children this week in Paris.



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protection of youth and their families, and promote the awareness and application of children's rights.



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Founded in Brussels in 1928, the IAYFJM represents worldwide efforts to establish links between judges from different countries but also with other international associations working for youth and family protection. It promotes research on international problems facing the operation of the courts and various laws relating to youth and family.

The NCJFCJ's emphasis on international efforts began with the establishment of the International Committee and through

association with IAYFJM. This involvement helps advance the NCJFCJ as a leader in juvenile and family law on an international level. The NCJFCJ hosts several international visits a year through the International Visitor Leadership Program, the Meridian International Center, and the Northern Nevada International Center. Last month, the NCJFCJ sent its first international delegation in eight years to Cuba, led by NCJFCJ president Judge Anthony (Tony) Capizzi, for a weeklong opportunity to meet and learn from Cuban counterparts about the challenges and advances of juvenile and family law in Cuba.

"This is a unique global effort to establish links between judges from different countries and promotes

research on international problems facing courts relating to youth and families," said Judge Stucki. "The international leaders that comprise the IAYFJM council understand the protection of youth and their families is universal and is at the core of the mission."

The NCJFCJ's membership of more than 1,500 and has representation from Guam, Virgin Islands, Northern Mariana Islands, Germany, Canada, Nigeria, and Australia.

"I am honored to be elected as deputy-president of IAYFJM," said Judge Stucki. "As a long-time member, former president, and representative of the NCJFCJ, our association has helped increase global awareness of the NCJFCJ's continuing efforts to provide judicial officers and courts involved with juvenile, family, and domestic violence cases with the knowledge and skills to improve the lives of the families and children who seek justice."

Judge Stucki served on the Stark County Family Court for 18 years before he retired in 2011. He is the chairman of the Governor's Council on Juvenile Justice and is a past president of the Ohio Association of Juvenile Court Judges. He served as the president of the NCJFCJ from 2013-2014.

"The IAYFJM and the NCJFCJ have enjoyed a long and fruitful partnership so it is particularly gratifying that our relationship will deepen through Judge Stucki's election as deputy-president," said Avril Calder, IAYFJM past president. "Judge Stucki will, with his enthusiastic upholding of the rights of children and his undoubted knowledge of the nature of the challenges facing judges, be of benefit to children everywhere."

The World Congress on Justice for Children was this week at the UNESCO House in Paris. Bringing together judges and other professionals specializing in justice systems for children and their families from all over the world, World Congress participants discussed the latest developments in the field and to enhance coordination to address crucial issues and challenges.

About the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges (NCJFCJ):

Founded in 1937, the Reno, Nev.-based National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges, is the nation's oldest judicial membership organization and focused on improving the effectiveness of our nation's juvenile and family courts. A leader in continuing education opportunities, research, and policy development in the field of juvenile and family justice, the 2,000-member organization is unique in providing practice-based resources to jurisdictions and communities nationwide.

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