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COMMITTEE TO ELECT JUSTICE DAVID NAHMIA
ANNOUNCES SURGE OF SUPPORT IN CAMPAIGN FOR
GEORGIA SUPREME COURT

First Quarter of 2010 Brings New Supporters and Additional Contributions

ATLANTA, GA, April 8, 2010: The campaign committee for Justice David E. Nahmias in this year's election for the Supreme Court of Georgia has announced a successful fund-raising effort for the first quarter of 2010 and the addition of more than 30 new committee members from around the state and across the bar.

Citizens to Elect Justice David Nahmias, Inc. reported total first-quarter contributions of \$25,634.35 on its March 31 campaign disclosure statement. Since forming in October 2009, the committee has raised a total of \$77,741.85 and had \$66,650.79 in cash on hand as of March 31.

The committee also announced 31 new members who have joined the campaign this year, bringing the total number to 139 Georgia leaders representing a diverse array of communities and constituencies from around the state. Among those serving on the committee are two former Supreme Court Chief Justices, Norman S. Fletcher and Leah Ward Sears; nine past presidents of the State Bar of Georgia, including Frank C. Jones of Macon, Robert M. Brinson of Rome, Paul Kilpatrick Jr. of Columbus, Rudolph N. Patterson of Macon, George E. Mundy of Cedartown, James B. Franklin of Statesboro, George R. (Rob) Reinhardt of Tifton, Gerald M. Edenfield of Statesboro and Jeffrey O. Bramlett of Atlanta; and State Bar President-Elect S. Lester Tate III of Cartersville.

"I'm happy to be supporting Justice Nahmias because, although we may not always think the same, he has all the important qualities a good judge should have: solid intellect, love for the law, integrity, creativity, curiosity and love of country," said former Chief Justice Leah Ward Sears. "I believe he will contribute much to our state during his tenure on the bench."

Gerald M. Edenfield of Statesboro, past president of the State Bar of Georgia (2007-08), said, "The citizens of Georgia are very fortunate to have someone with Justice Nahmias' qualifications serving in our judicial

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branch. He has the educational background and experience to be a great justice. During his recent visit to Bulloch County, it was obvious to me that he believes passionately in the judicial branch of government and is very understanding and willing to listen to Georgians from all walks of life.”

“I have decided to support the election of Justice Nahmias because I am convinced that he will follow the rule of law whenever it is clear and make decisions fair to all parties when it is not,” said Paul Kilpatrick Jr. of Columbus, past president of the State Bar (1992-93). “His work to date certainly supports that conclusion.”

Patrick T. O’Connor of Savannah, a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers and a member of the State Bar’s Board of Governors, said, “Justice David Nahmias possesses the quality most critical to the success of any judge: an independent and brilliant legal mind. When you add his experience and sense of fairness to the mix, you have a person uniquely qualified to serve on Georgia’s highest court.”

Since starting the campaign last fall, Justice Nahmias has made numerous appearances around the state to introduce himself to and hear from citizens and judges, lawyers, and others who work in the legal system. Events have been held in Columbus, Savannah, Albany, Macon, Statesboro and Rome, along with numerous appearances in metro Atlanta. Additional events are being planned in Augusta, Columbus and Tifton in the coming weeks.

Justice Nahmias was appointed on Aug. 13, 2009, to serve on the Supreme Court of Georgia after serving nearly 15 years as a federal prosecutor, including five years as the U.S. Attorney from the Northern District of Georgia. Nonpartisan judicial elections in Georgia will be contested in the General Election on Nov. 2.

“I am grateful for the tremendous support and kind reception I have received on my travels around the state during the first months of this campaign,” Justice Nahmias said. “I am asking the people of Georgia to elect me in November so that I can continue to serve our legal system and our state. I look forward to building on this broad base of citizen support through a positive campaign that reflects the high ethical standards required of those who are entrusted with positions in our judicial system.”

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*Attachments: (1) Updated Members of Campaign Committee
 (2) Justice Nahmias' Biography*